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AND
PRIVACY ACTS**

SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG

BREMER KIDNAPPING

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MR. Rorer
MR. Newby ✓

February 20, 1934.

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Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.
Kidnaping.
St. Paul File No. 7-30

Dear Sir:

With reference to your telephonic request
to Mr. Rorer requesting identity of confidential informant named
in memorandum in the above matter by Special Agent [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] paragraph thereof, please be
advised that this person is [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] His information was
given in the strictest of confidence and his name should not
be mentioned under any circumstances. His interest in coopera-
tion in the Bremer kidnaping has been principally due to his
personal fear of being a possible victim of kidnapers.

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Very truly yours,

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WERNER HANNI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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H. H. CLEGG

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U.S. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Room 1403, 370 Lexington Avenue,
New York City, New York.

March 17, 1934.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Division letter of February 12, 1934, addressed

to the St. Paul Division Office, copies of which were forwarded to the New York and Chicago Division Offices relating to the visit to the Division of an individual giving the names of ALCORN, KORN and KAY, at which time he imparted certain information particularly relating to the BREMER Kidnapping case.

This same individual called at the New York Division Office last night and was interviewed by me. He stated that the prisoner whom he desires to help is one Leon Kramer, who was convicted in New York County about June of 1926 on a charge of Robbery in the first degree and sentenced by Judge Koenig, Court of General Sessions, to serve a term of Forty Years' imprisonment. Kramer was imprisoned at Sing Sing for a short time and then was transferred to the Great Meadows prison from which he escaped. Approximately eight months later, or about September, 1933, he was apprehended and transferred to the Dannemora Penitentiary, where he has been in solitary confinement since his return.

The individual calling at the office used the name of H.L. Alcorn and related that a woman relative of Kramer's has been up to see him several times, and within the past week has received communications from Kramer indicating that he desires to talk with a Federal officer. This woman exercises a great influence over Kramer and it is desired that she accompany the Federal Officer who interviews him. Mr. Alcorn stated that he desires the utmost discretion used in making this contact as he is afraid a number of innocent individuals might subsequently suffer physical injury if it becomes known that Kramer divulged information. He stated that no doubt a pass would have to be obtained from Dr. Thayer, Commissioner of New York State Department of Correction, at Albany, New York and that it might be well to have the Agent interviewing Kramer do so the guise of an attorney.

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Director,
Washington, D.C.

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Mr. Alcorn was unable to indicate the specific information which Kramer desired to divulge but stated that it related to Federal violations.

I made arrangements with Mr. Alcorn whereby, when it is necessary to communicate with him, I shall dispatch a telegram addressed to H. L. Alcorn, 311 Broadway, Brooklyn, New York, and simply say, "Give me a call", signing it, "Frank", upon the receipt of which, Alcorn will call me at the New York Office. Alcorn advised me that this is not his correct name.

During the conversation with Mr. Alcorn he stated that he desired that Mr. Harold Nathan interview Kramer. I informed Mr. Alcorn that this might be impossible, due to the pressure of other business and that in the event of this, it would be desirable to have another representative of the Division meet Mr. Kramer. Mr. Alcorn indicated that this would be perfectly satisfactory although he stressed the fact that the interview should be handled very discreetly. I, of course, gave him every possible assurance that we would not violate any confidences placed in us or jeopardize any innocent individuals who, he indicated earlier in the conversation, might be harmed in the event it became known that Kramer had disclosed information.

For the general information of the Division, I am attaching hereto a photograph of Kramer as well as his fingerprints. Following is the criminal record of LEON MILLER alias Leon List alias Hersh Borg alias Herman Kallekozstan alias Leon Liss alias Leon Kraemer, as obtained by this office from the New York Police Department - their number, B-42958:

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Director,
Washington, D.C.

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No further action will be taken by this office, pending the receipt
of additional information from the Division.

Very truly yours,

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F.X.FAY,
Special Agent in Charge

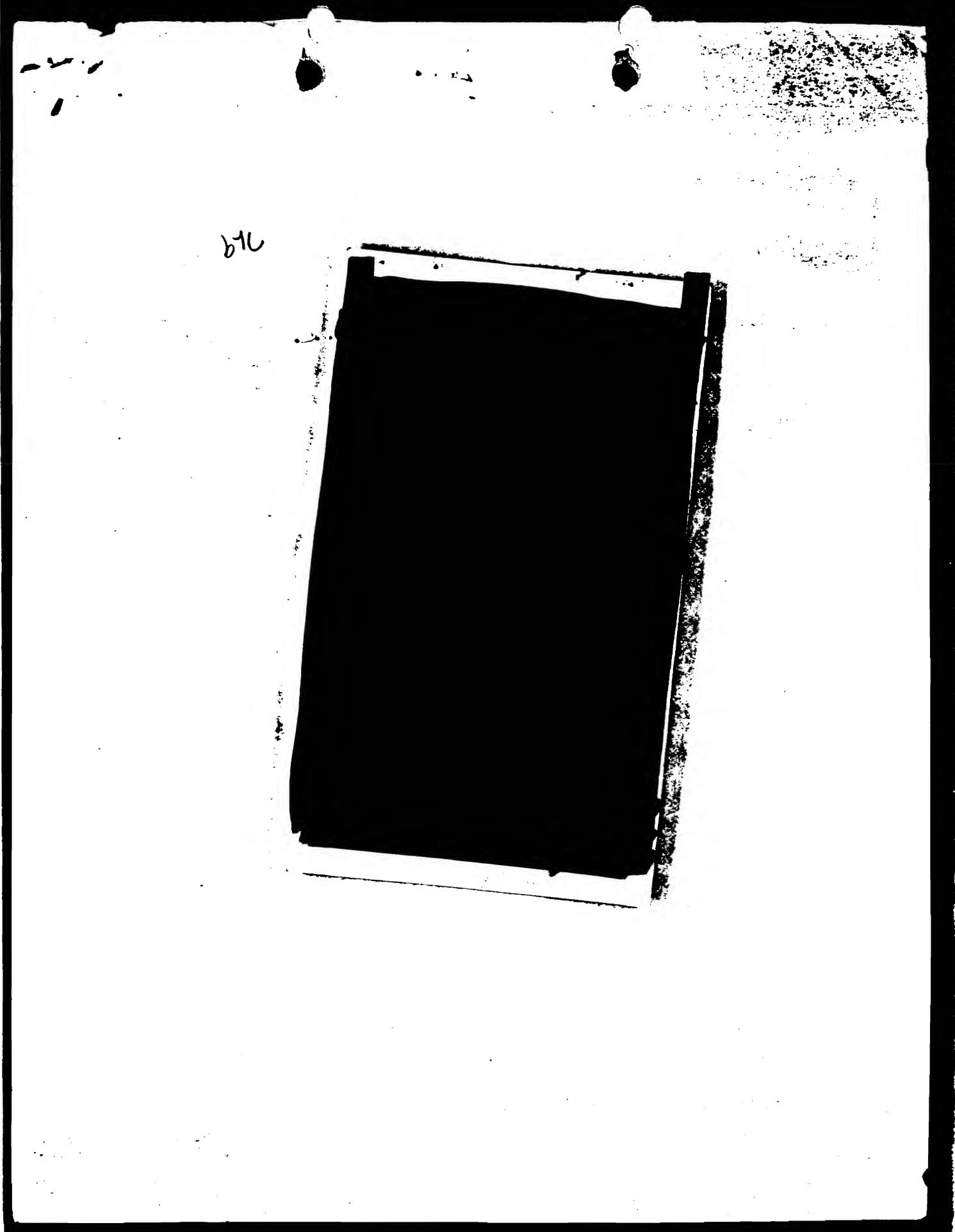
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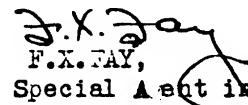
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of additional information from the Division.

Very truly yours,


F.X. FAY,
Special Agent in Charge

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March 28, 1934.

1934 Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
370 Lexington Avenue, Room 1403,
New York, New York.

Dear Sirs:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al.,
Edward G. Bremer - Victim.
Kidnapping.

Further reference is made to Division letter dated February 12, 1934, setting forth information obtained from an individual giving the names of Alcorn, Korn, and Key, on the occasion of the latter's visit to the Division.

A copy of the letter from your office dated March 17, 1934, setting forth information relative to this same individual, is being furnished, with a copy of this letter, to Inspector Rorer, at St. Paul, for his information.

You are instructed to make a very thorough investigation relative to the identity of Leon Kramer in accordance with the suggestions made in the Division's letter dated March 20, 1934, addressed to your office, copy of which was furnished to Inspector Rorer, and to report the results thereof to the Division promptly.

The fingerprints of Kramer furnished with your letter of March 17, 1934, have been submitted to the Identification Unit of the Division, with instructions that your office and Inspector Rorer be furnished with the criminal record of this individual as reflected by the files of that Unit.

Very truly yours,

Director.

cc Mr. Rorer, St. Paul.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
P.O. Box 515, St. Paul, Minn.

Mr. NATHAN	✓
Mr. TOLSON	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. COWLEY	✓
Mr. EDWARDS	✓
Mr. EGAN	✓
Mr. QUINN	✓
Mr. LESTER	✓
Mr. MILF CLARK	✓
Mr. RORER	✓

March 18, 1934.

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Director,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

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MAR 28 1934

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al.
UNKNOWN SUBJECTS.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim, 27 1934 A.
KIDNAPING.
St. Paul File No. 7-30. U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Reference is made to letter from this office dated [REDACTED] b7D
March 5, 1934, regarding [REDACTED] with aliases, confidential
informant in this case. He was again interviewed by Special
Agent O.G. Hall on March 8, 1934, at which time he advised that,
due to the political turmoil in the Twin Cities, it is exceed-
ingly difficult for the underworld to move about and, consequent-
ly, he is handicapped and if the Division feels he is not pro-
ducing, he could appreciate the Division's attitude. He believes
that he can secure results if given further opportunity. In
that connection, he was given \$10.00 by Special Agent Hall to
defray living expenses.

Concerning FRISCO DUTCH/STEINHART, who had been missing
for several days as the result of a subpoena issued for him to
appear before the State Grand Jury at St. Paul, the informant ad-
vised that FRISCO DUTCH stayed at home during the time the law
enforcement officers were supposed to be searching for him and
that he saw FRISCO DUTCH on March 6, 7, and 8, 1934; that on the
6th and 7th he saw him at 311 Hennepin Avenue, a hoodlum hangout
in Minneapolis, which was closed on the night of the 7th by the
police, who raided after JOE LEMEYER, ex-chief of police, had
tipped FRISCO DUTCH off to close the gambling. The gang now hangs
out at 14th and Thomas, in Minneapolis, in a pool room where there
is a book made.

The informant advises that he is friendly with one,
BARTON, who is a member of the KARPIS-BARKER-DeVOLD gang. BARTON
intimated to the informant that BARTON, BAILEY, MILLER, NASH,
KEATING, and HOLDEN, robbed the bank at Willmar, Minnesota, about

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three years ago. He says that BARTON lives with a woman in the Vendome Hotel in Minneapolis and BARTON'S woman is very fond of Detective Magazines. A couple of days ago, the informant was reading an old detective story magazine containing a story regarding VERNE MILLER and made some casual remark concerning him. BARTON, then, intimated to the informant that MILLER had been in the Kansas City Massacre and that there was a man named GUS, who is a member of this gang, also in that massacre.

Agent Hall instructed informant to get full details, if possible, regarding this case. The informant states that VERNE MILLER was killed in Detroit by Italians who stole between \$12000 and \$15000 from MILLER and that there was a woman who had "fingered" MILLER in the killing.

The informant will be interviewed in a day or two and the Division promptly notified. It is believed that he should be given small sums of money from time to time as it is entirely possible he can produce results.

Very truly yours,



W.A. RORER, INSPECTOR.

OGH:TC
CC Chicago
Kansas City

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735 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

March 30, 1934.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter dated March 26, 1934, you will find attached a memorandum submitted by Special Agent J. F. McDevitt, of this office, which lists the names and addresses of the confidential informants paid by McDevitt as recorded in his various expense vouchers.

The attached list constitutes all confidential informants employed by this office since January 1, 1932.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) R. G. Harvey,

R. G. HARVEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Below is a list of confidential informants paid as per various expense vouchers.

Title of Case	File #	Date of Employment	Am't Paid	Name & Address of Informant.
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Khaki Shirts of America 62-978

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With reference to the above mentioned [redacted] attention is called to our letters dated 12-18-33 and 5-16-34 in connection with information that he volunteered concerning Fugitive [redacted]

J. F. McDEVITT,
Special Agent.

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420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

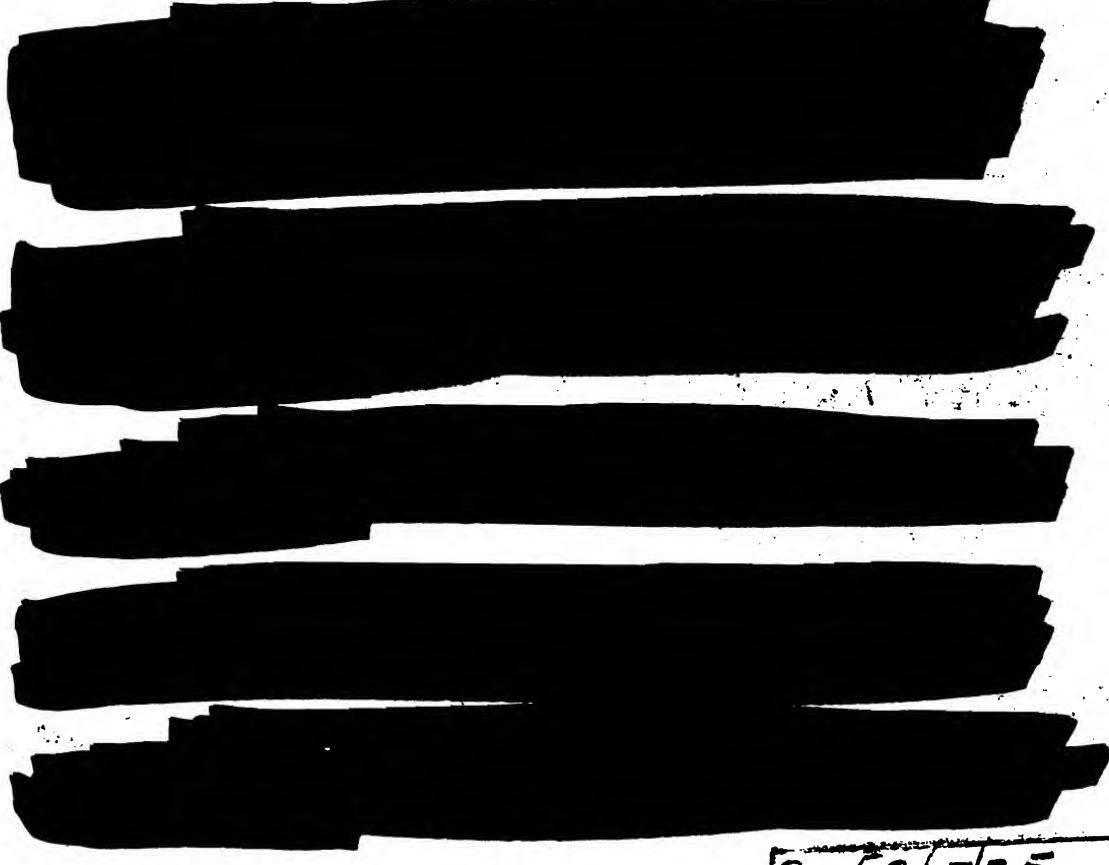
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Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

In conformity with instructions contained in Division letter of 3/26/34, I am submitting the names of the confidential informants employed by the Dallas Office since 1/1/32.

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This completes the list of paid confidential informants
for the period listed.

Very truly yours,

/s/ F. J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

FJB:LMT

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P. O. Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
April 3, 1934.
DB:CC

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Division letter of March 26, 1934 in which it is requested that the Division be advised immediately concerning the employment of confidential informants by this office for the period since January 1, 1932.

I beg to inform you that Mr. R. H. Colvin of the El Paso Division Office, formerly Special Agent in Charge here, was in the office today, and I discussed this matter with him at some length. I also have discussed it with the members of the personnel of this office who have been assigned here since January 1, 1932, none of whom are able to furnish any information in addition to that supplied by Mr. Colvin. Mr. Colvin stated and the records of the office show the following:

On June 16, 1933, at Hot Springs, Arkansas, Frank Nash was apprehended upon the confidential information furnished by

For this service, he was paid \$500.00.

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Mr. Colvin informed me that during the investigation of the Urschel case, the services of several girls were utilized in certain telephone taps, namely from July 24th to August 1, 1933, for which they were paid \$110.22, and from September 21st to September 26, 1933, and were paid the sum of \$283.87.

From February 9, 1934 to February 11, 1934, I used the services of [REDACTED] in the case of Alvin Karpis, et al., Kidnaping, and the Kansas City Massacre case at Seminole, Oklahoma, for which I paid him the sum of \$10.00 which took care of his traveling expenses and his board and room.

From February 19, 1934 to March 2, 1934, I used the services of [REDACTED] of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma in an effort to locate the Barker-Karpis mob in the Massacre case and the Bremer Kidnap case. He traveled from Oklahoma City to Tulsa, Vinita, Commerce, South Coffeyville and Miami, Oklahoma. I paid him the sum of \$8107, which included his expenses and the amount of \$18.00 per week he was receiving as salary at the Armour Packing Company. He left his employment at the aforesaid firm to render the Division this service.

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Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

503-A Court House and P. O.,
Salt Lake City, Utah

Mr. NATHAN
Mr. TOLSON
Mr. CLIFTON
Mr. COWLEY
Mr. ELLIOTT
Mr. COAN
Mr. QUINN
Mr. LES. ER
CHIEF CLERK
Mr. RORER
<i>newby</i>

March 31, 1934

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Director,
Division of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Division letter of March 27, 1934, requesting that I submit a detailed statement as to enforcement problems in Reno, Nevada, etc.

In compliance with Division instructions I am submitting herewith a Personal and Confidential Memorandum on this Subject.

It is respectfully requested that the contents of this Memorandum be held in strict confidence in order that the information contained therein may not become known to anyone but the Director.

Mr. J. A. Dowd, Special Agent in Charge of the Salt Lake City office is expected to return to this office shortly and his attention will be called to the letter of reference asking that Mr. Dowd also submit a statement concerning these matters.

Very truly yours,

Louis D. Wine

Louis D. Wine,
Acting Special Agent in Charge

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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

503-A Court House and P. O.,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

March 31, 1934.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

In transmitting you this memorandum it is respectfully requested that you consider its contents as being strictly confidential in view of the statements which it contains, and particularly the statement made to me by one of the persons mentioned herein that he had a "contact" in Washington, D. C., that permitted him to obtain freely details of confidential investigations conducted in Reno, Nevada, by Agents of this Division.

In compliance with Division instructions I am setting forth in detail information which I have obtained relative to conditions in Reno, Nevada, as follows:

For approximately eight years while a Special Agent attached to the San Francisco Division office and the Salt Lake City Division office, I have had occasion to make official investigation in Reno, Nevada, at numerous times and believe I have an accurate picture of law enforcement conditions in that City.

Prior to my first visit to Reno, some years ago, I was informed by E. R. Bohner, then Special Agent in Charge of the San Francisco Division Office, of the conditions there and to use extreme caution. Sometime thereafter Mr. Bohner was appointed Federal Prohibition Administrator for the States of California and Nevada, and told me in some detail of the results of his investigations there, how the police and other enforcement officers "tipped off" subjects and how futile it was to attempt to enforce the Federal law in that City. He related further that Reno had the fastest "tip off" system in the United States and he cited an instance where Federal Agents were on the Southern Pacific train en route to Reno, that railroad employes at Truckee, California, had obtained the name of the Agent from his Pullman Transportation Request, and had furnished his description to Reno prior to his arrival there. He as well as the former Deputy Prohibition Administrator for the State of Nevada have advised me in detail of failure of all officials there to cooperate and that these men would "tip off" offenders,

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that this matter is apparently of official Departmental record.

Since that time, while working in Reno, Nevada, on official matters numerous instances have come to my personal attention of city officials and others not cooperating and "tipping off" persons who were under investigation. On April 28, 1933, I submitted a report of my investigation of [REDACTED] Applicant (Departmental Position) which investigation I conducted at Reno, Nevada. (See Salt Lake City file 73-37.)

In connection with this investigation, I had learned that Applicant had lived for many years in Virginia City, Nevada, and that Chief of Police J. N. Kirkley of the Reno Police Department had also lived there for sometime. I thereupon called to see Mr. Kirkley, telling him I was making a very confidential investigation relating to Applicant, asked him the usual questions, and upon leaving I again requested him to consider this matter in confidence, which he assured me he would. A short time after this interview I was calling on Mr. Leigh Sanford, Publisher of the Reno Evening Gazette, for the same purpose, and while there the telephone rang, Mr. Sanford answering it, and upon conclusion of the conversation turned to me and said that the Chief of Police, Mr. Kirkley, had just called him and told him in detail of my conversation with him and that [REDACTED] was being investigated. Mr. Leigh Sanford and his brother, Grant Sanford, own this paper jointly, are very honorable and respected citizens.

[REDACTED] They have told me repeatedly that the Police Department was corrupt and was under the complete domination of the controlling interests in Reno, Nevada.

It is general knowledge in Reno and throughout the entire west, that Reno is the place where criminals come to "cool off." I have talked with many law-enforcement officers as well as with some subjects of investigations who have related to me that a man who is a fugitive from justice and who had money was not molested in Reno, where he was perfectly safe provided he did not commit any other offenses there.

I have always been friendly to the Chief of Police and his relationship with me has been friendly. He told me recently that he hoped now that the Eighteenth Amendment had been repealed that he would be in a better position to cooperate with the Government. He mentioned the fact that his hands "were tied" and further remarked to me, "You know the situation in Reno as well as I do - it is a liberal town." However, as to the policing of the town, it is free from any soliciting and one seldom sees an intoxicated person on the streets.

During February of the current year I was sitting in the lobby of the El Cortez Hotel at Reno where I usually stop and I engaged in conversation with an officer who introduced himself to me as Captain of Detectives of Pottsville, Pa. He related that he had been seeking an important fugitive who had absconded and had apparently gone to Reno, that he located his address there telephoned the Police Department and received a telegram in reply that the man had been taken into custody in Reno. He proceeded from Pottsville to Reno and said he was amazed to learn that this man had apparently been apprehended and the city authorities denied sending him the telegram. This officer said he remained in Reno a week trying to locate his fugitive and had learned that the fugitive had been living in Reno at

the home of the City Attorney. This officer showed me a letter he had received from the Chief of Police Pottsville, Pa., saying that the matter would be reported to the Governor of Nevada. This officer's name I believe is Grondo, or some similar name and said from his investigation it was obvious that his prisoner had been tipped off since he had considerable money with him. He said if, and when, this man is again located he will endeavor to get from him the true story of his disappearance.

Another instance which came to my personal attention in Reno was in connection with the investigation of [REDACTED] a Fugitive who was reported to be touch with his brother, [REDACTED] bartender at the Tuscano Hotel, a place in Reno frequented by the underworld, and owned by one Joe Elcano, relative of this Fugitive. I called upon Chief of Police Kirkley explained the situation and that this fugitive would no doubt call sooner or later at this hotel. He said he would handle this matter discreetly and personally and endeavor to locate him. Shortly thereafter, Russell Trathan, the Sheriff, who is said to be honest, advised me that Joe Elcano, owner of the Tuscano Hotel, had told him, that he had been "tipped off" by the Reno Police that his relative was being sought by the Government and that Officer [REDACTED] of the Reno Police was the one who had given him this information.

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I have heard it said that the Chief of Police will not conduct an investigation with a Government officer, and I have made several requests for him to accompany me to the Bank Club, the gambling establishment operated by William J. Graham, and he has always declined to accompany me. He has always referred me to [REDACTED] his "Resort" detective who covers the gambling establishments. I accompanied [REDACTED] on several occasions but found him foul in speech and rough in manner. His general reputation in Reno is very bad. He is quite brutal and I have witnessed scenes of his brutality in handling prisoners. He is said to be a close associate of Graham and his chief duties are to pick up "undesirables" who have no money or contacts, according to current reports. [REDACTED] is said to be interested in the operation of a house of prostitution in Reno.

Mrs. C. E. Boswell, Route 2, Box 59, Reno, Nevada, a prominent civic worker in Reno and president of the Nevada Humane Society, was interviewed by me since she was a complainant in a White Slave matter. She related that the local authorities made no attempt to cope with the vice, narcotic and liquor situation in Reno which was wide open, that she and a number of other civic-minded citizens had been making a survey of conditions had engaged an investigator who made a private report, that this report was in the hands of the President of the Nevada State Clubs, but she would get it and permit the writer to examine it if desired. I did not make such a request at that time since I was confining my investigation to the instant case which she reported. She related to me that Detective [REDACTED] was operating a house of prostitution in Reno and that this was general knowledge.

Assistant United States Attorney George Whiteley, Reno, Nevada, is said to be very close to the local organization in Reno, and to have been seen on occasions in Reno intoxicated in public places, that he frequents the Town House, a saloon who has been operated for years by William J. Graham and that Graham has called on him at times for legal advice, the latter statement which he freely admitted to me.

On or about February 27, 1934, I had occasion to call upon Whitley on official matters at his office in Reno. He was somewhat intoxicated and his stenographer was reluctant to let him see me. Upon hearing I was waiting to confer with him, he said, "Hell yes, I'll see him!"

On this occasion he was quite talkative, told me how futile it was for a Government agent to make a confidential investigation in Reno. He said he had a "contact" in Washington, and could get detailed confidential information direct from the Departmental files. He cited one instance where Special Agent in Charge Dowd was in Reno making a confidential investigation of an angle pertaining to an Applicant for the Federal Judgeship, and Whitley remarked that he knew all about Dowd's activities a half hour after his arrival and got the full information relating to this Applicant from Washington, D. C., at a later date. He related to me further that he would advise his friends who were selling liquor when the Federal Agents would come to town in order that they would be on notice of any possible raids, but that he always played fair with representatives of this Division.

J. L. White, Acting Special Agent in Charge, Alcoholic Beverage Unit, Salt Lake City, conferred with me on March 23, 1934, relating to the disposition of several automobiles which were being turned over to this Division. Incidentally he discussed law enforcement problems with me, and said that he had four Agents in Reno but they were unable to get any results or cooperation. At this time he told me that he had been in Reno a few days before and that George E. Turpin, recently appointed Deputy United States Marshal had told him confidentially that he "expected to see an important Government witness in the Graham-McKay case taken for a ride." About twenty minutes after Mr. White left my office I received information from Mr. Atkinson, United States Attorney, Reno, that Roy Frisch, Subject of our case Unknown Subjects, Roy Frisch, Kidnaping, who was an important witness against these men, had disappeared. I immediately telephoned the Director and Agent Gere in Reno to cover and interview Mr. Turpin for the purpose of endeavoring to determine the source of his information.

Referring further to the conversation with Mr. White, he advised me that recently he had talked with an electrician in Reno who had installed Dictagraph wires in 28 rooms of the ~~Golden~~ Hotel, that Graham and McKay upon their recent visit to New York took a Dictaphone with them. The ~~Golden~~ Hotel is controlled by George Wingfield, former Nevada gambler and head of the defunct Wingfield Banks in Nevada. Wingfield is said to be a close associate of Graham and Graham operates The Bank Club in the ~~Golden~~ Hotel Building.

The banking condition is now being in line for investigation at Reno by the Las Angeles Division office which has been instructed to detail a Special Agent (A) to Reno. It is carried under Salt Lake File 29-112, entitled Reno National Bank of Reno, National Bank Act. The original complaint to Assistant Attorney General Keenan from Mr. W. E. Barnard of Reno furnishes additional information as to the situation in Reno.

Reno, Nevada, depends largely upon its visitors for revenue; it is generally known to be a favorite place for underworld characters who have plenty of money who may come there and have little fear of being taken into

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custody as long as they behave themselves there. Persistent reports have been received that gangsters have a "hideout" near Reno, usually visiting the gambling resorts in Reno at night where they are fully protected.

While writing this memorandum Detective Charles Olsen in charge of the Automobile Theft Detail of the Salt Lake City Police Department called at this office and reported to me that he had learned from one of his confidential informants was was apparently reliable that three gangsters had been in Salt Lake City and had made the remark that they had a "hideout" about thirty miles from Reno. These men are reported to be driving a 1933 model Cadillac 12-cylinder Sedan, and that one man rides in the rear seat of this car carrying a submachine gun. I immediately advised Mr. Reed Vetterli at Reno of this report after obtaining all details. While Mr. Vetterli was in Salt Lake on March 25, 1934, I discussed with him the Roy Frisch, Kidnapping case at Reno, and advised him of our efforts to locate the Frisch gang there.

It is a well established fact that William Graham of Reno, who is under Federal indictment in New York City for a Postal Violation is the unquestioned leader of the Reno underworld, that he controls the leading gambling establishment, saloons and a resort on Lake Tahoe as well as the Reno restricted district. He is said to be powerful politically and it is said he is believed to have been directly responsible for the disappearance of Roy Frisch, Cashier of the Riverside Bank of Reno. Frisch was the key witness against Graham and two days before Frisch disappeared a Federal subpoena was issued in New York for Frisch's appearance there. Graham is said to be well protected by attorneys and his underworld associates. He came to Reno about twelve years ago from San Francisco where he was well known to the San Francisco Police. Since his arrival in Reno he has succeeded in establishing a profitable and powerful underworld organization with its outside connections.

During the past few years Reno is said to have become a favorite place for Fugitives and particularly during the summer months when the eastern tourists frequent the Lake Tahoe country which affords many ideal mountain "hideouts" for criminals. On their trips to and from California they usually stop in Reno or in the immediate vicinity. The efforts of the larger eastern cities to clean up their criminal element, and the activities of the Division have resulted in a large group of underworld characters leaving their known haunts. Since it is general knowledge that Reno has many advantages, it is logical to assume that many of them will go there at least for a visit.

This information is accurate and will I believe give you a clear picture of the situation as it now exists in Reno. It is difficult to obtain results in making investigations there with a view to locating Fugitives, especially when the local authorities are called upon for assistance. The most effective means of operating in Reno would be to do so under cover, but extreme caution would have to be exercised since the criminal element operating in this city would subject any Agent there to potential danger and he would have to proceed with great care.

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Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases
I.O. #1219
EDWARD GEORGE BREWER--Victim
KIDNAPING

The confidential informant mentioned on page 5
paragraph 3 in the report of Special Agent [REDACTED]
is [REDACTED] who can be
located [REDACTED]

Very truly yours,

Jay C. Newman
JAY C. NEWMAN,
Special Agent in Charge

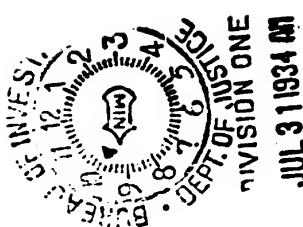
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[REDACTED] This Informant was paid #24.50
on February 21, 1937. He was sent to St. Paul to report to Mr. Rorer in
connection with the Bremer Kidnapping Case.

Other Informants who have been used by this office but have not been paid are as follows:

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. BOX 1156,
OMAHA, NEBRASKA

December 24, 1934

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to page eighteen of the report of Special Agent O. C. Dewey, dated December 24, 1934, submitted in the case entitled "Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I.O. #1218; et al; Edward George Bremer, Victim, Kidnaping".

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is one [REDACTED] mentioned therein.

Very truly yours,

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OMAHA, NEBRASKA

March 19, 1935

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at Ninth Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I.O. #1218; Fugitive:
Barry Campbell, with aliases, I.O. #1235;
Volney Davis, with aliases, I.O. #1237; Fugitive:
Dr. Joseph P. Moran, with aliases, I.O. #1232;
William Weaver, with aliases, I.O. #1238;
Harry Sawyer, with aliases, I. O. #1240;
William J. Harrison, with aliases, I.O. #1239;
Myrtle Eaton, with aliases, I.O. #1241;
Oliver A. Berg, with aliases, FUGITIVE: et al.
Edward George Bremer, Victim.
KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE -
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Please be advised that the confidential informant of
Special Agent J. R. Green, referred to on [REDACTED] of the
report submitted by Special Agent O. C. Dewey, dated March 15,
1935, in the above entitled matter, is [REDACTED]

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Very truly yours,

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WERNER HANNI,
Special Agent in Charge

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St. Paul, Minnesota

May 18, 1935

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING.
St. Paul file No. 7-30

The name of the confidential informant referred to in the letter from this office to the Oklahoma City office under date of May 18, 1935, is JESS DOYLE, who is presently confined in the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota, awaiting removal to the state of Oklahoma.

It is deemed inadvisable to include Doyle's name in official correspondence or reports in view of the fact that he gave the information with the understanding that his name would never be mentioned and that the agent who received the information would not disclose the source of same.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN
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P. O. Box 1156,
Omaha, Nebraska.

June 6, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

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Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O.1218, Fugitive;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O.1236;
VOLNEY DAVIS with aliases, I.O.1237, Fugitive;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.1232;
WILLIAM LEAVER with aliases, I.O.1238;
HARRY SAWER with aliases;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O.1239;
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O.1241;
BRUNO PUTAS with aliases, ET AL. -
EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - VICTIM.
Kidnaping - Harboring of Fugitives -
Obstruction of Justice - Natl. Firearms Act.

I respectfully wish to inform you that the confidential informant of the Omaha Bureau Office mentioned in the report of Agent in Charge Dowd of this office, dated [REDACTED] is [REDACTED]

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Very truly yours,

John A. Dowd
John A. Dowd,
Special Agent in Charge.

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July 9, 1935.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir: RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O. 1218, Fugitive; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -Victim.
KIDNAPING.
St. Paul File # 7-50.

There is transmitted herewith original and copy of memorandum prepared by Special Agent J. E. Brennan, dated July 8, 1935, containing information concerning the activities of [REDACTED] in his endeavor to have MYRTLE EATON surrender and cooperate with the Bureau in this case.

[REDACTED] called at this office this afternoon and in the absence of Agent Brennan advised me that he had contacted ANDREW ROTHMEYER relative to the surrender of MYRTLE EATON. He stated that ROTHMEYER informed him that he does not know the present whereabouts of MYRTLE EATON, nor is he certain he can get in touch with her. However, ROTHMEYER feels that it would be to the advantage of MYRTLE EATON should she give herself up and furnish all information she may have relative to the Bremer case and the subjects still at large.

According to [REDACTED] ROTHMEYER will attempt to establish communication with MYRTLE EATON and if successful will make overtures to this office. The Bureau will be notified immediately of any developments.

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Very truly yours,
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H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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July 8, 1935.

MEMO FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE:

Re: St. Paul File 7-30.

On June 21 and 22, 1935, the undersigned attended a conference with Messrs. Tamm and Newby, and Special Agents S. K. McKee and K. R. McIntire, at the Bureau in Washington, which conference had to do with investigation looking toward the location and apprehension of WILLIAM WEAVER and MYRTLE EATON.

At this time Messrs. Tamm and Newby were informed that shortly prior to the undersigned's departure from St. Paul, a confidential informant who will be referred to herein as ██████████ had stated that he had been approached by Andrew Rothmeyer of St. Paul, who had formerly lived with MYRTLE EATON prior to the time she began associating with WILLIAM WEAVER, wherein Rothmeyer desired to have ██████████ ascertain what if any consideration might be given to MYRTLE EATON should she surrender and enter a plea of guilty; that at this time it was represented to ██████████ that should MYRTLE EATON furnish information as to the location of WEAVER, that it was believed that more consideration might be given her in the disposition of her case, than that she would surrender and plead guilty without disclosing any information concerning WEAVER; that at that time ██████████ stated he would have a further conference with Rothmeyer and endeavor to persuade him to ascertain the location of WEAVER, but he stated that until he could be in a position to give some assurance that a minimum sentence might be imposed upon MYRTLE EATON, he did not believe that Rothmeyer's cooperation with respect to locating WEAVER could be obtained.

████████████ explained that MYRTLE EATON has been a shop-lifter for many years and that she would prefer that a suspended sentence would not be imposed upon her, as according to Rothmeyer, she felt that some other charge might be placed against her while on probation, if probation could be granted, which would result in her serving a penitentiary sentence for violation of probation; that she would prefer to have a small sentence imposed which she could serve and thereby terminate in a Federal prosecution.

The informant urgently requested that his name be excluded from any report or correspondence as he knew that should it become known that he had informed any representative of the Government of the attempted negotiation by Rothmeyer, ██████████

████████████ He also requested, that inasmuch as the undersigned had been directed to report at the Bureau on June 17th

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that the matter might be discussed confidentially with a representative of the Bureau and that it be then ascertained whether or not the Bureau would oppose a recommendation which might possibly be made by the U. S. Attorney at St. Paul with respect to the disposition of the case against MYRTLE EATON.

At the above referred to conference, the undersigned was informed by Mr. Tamm that the Bureau would have no opposition to whatever disposition the U. S. Attorney at St. Paul might care to make of the case against MYRTLE EATON should she prove of value to the Government in furnishing information regarding the location of WILLIAM WEAVER, and it was suggested that further interview be had with [REDACTED] with respect to his continuing negotiations [REDACTED] and that if it would not be satisfactory to [REDACTED] to approach Rothmeyer with respect to WEAVER, that an interview might be had between Mr. Adolph Bremer, and father of the victim, Andrew Rothmeyer, and the undersigned, as Mr. Bremer is in a position to obtain information from Rothmeyer which could not otherwise be obtained by a representative of the Bureau.

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Agent interviewed [REDACTED] at his office upon his return to South St. Paul, July 5, 1935, at which time he repeated that portion of the previous conversation regarding Andrew Rothmeyer's interest in MYRTLE EATON, and stated that while Rothmeyer would be more than pleased to get WEAVER out of the way, [REDACTED] deduced from his conversation that ROTHMEYER feared to furnish any information which might result in WEAVER'S apprehension as he felt that the source of the information might become known, and in this connection [REDACTED] repeated his previous request that his name be withheld. He stated he was confident that ROTHMEYER knew the whereabouts of MYRTLE EATON or could ascertain her whereabouts very easily, and that he would make a casual call at Rothmeyer's place of business on July 8 or 9, and engage him in conversation during which he would inform ROTHMEYER that he felt reasonably sure that satisfactory disposition of MYRTLE EATON'S case might be made providing she would be willing to confidentially furnish information as to the whereabouts of WILLIAM WEAVER. The informant stated that as soon as he has talked to Rothmeyer, he will inform the undersigned of the outcome of his conversation with him.

The undersigned also interviewed Mr. Adolph Bremer and informed him that information had come to the attention of the Bureau indicating that Andrew Rothmeyer has been in communication with MYRTLE EATON and may now be in possession of information as to her whereabouts and that the Bureau desired this information for the reason that she

is a defendant in this case, and through her it is believed the location of WILLIAM WEAVER, one of the actual kidnapers might be ascertained. Mr. Bremer was advised Rothmeyer had been officially interviewed by representatives of the Bureau and denied knowledge of MYRTLE EATON'S location, but that it was thought that should Mr. Bremer and the undersigned have a talk with Rothmeyer at some point which he might designate, this information might be obtained from Rothmeyer through Mr. Bremer's influence with him.

Mr. Bremer stated that he has known Rothmeyer for many years and would gladly arrange an interview with him at any time he so desired. The undersigned informed Mr. Bremer that there is a possibility of obtaining the desired information from another source; that should this not be successful, the undersigned will so inform Mr. Bremer, whereupon the interview with Rothmeyer may be had.

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Brennan
J. E. BRENNAN.
Special Agent.

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July 16, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases -
FUGITIVE, L. G. FLISB, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - Victim;
Kidnapping

Dear Sirs

Reference is made to your personal and confidential letter dated July 9, 1935, with which there was transmitted a memorandum prepared by Special Agent J. E. Brennan, dated July 8, 1935, setting forth information obtained from confidential informant [REDACTED]

During the conference held at Washington, D. C., which Special Agent Brennan attended, he advised that [REDACTED] had made the statement that he had personally contacted Myrtle Eaton. From the contents of the memorandum submitted by Special Agent Brennan it is noted that no reference is made to the personal interview between [REDACTED] and Myrtle Eaton. It is further noted that no reference is made to the information furnished by [REDACTED] to the effect that William Weaver is now associating with a woman named Margaret Green, who was formerly associated with Frank Nash. The reported association between Weaver and this woman should be thoroughly investigated.

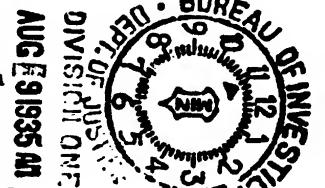
At the present time there are no active leads concerning any of the remaining fugitives in this case and, inasmuch as these fugitives have frequented St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minnesota in the past, it is suggested that an intensive and vigorous investigation be conducted with the view to developing new leads which will indicate their present whereabouts. This matter, of course, should receive your personal attention.

Very truly yours,
John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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United States Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1218; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
Kidnapping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Paul Hansen
in the above captioned case, dated [REDACTED]

Please be advised that the confidential informant referred to
in this report as Mr. Snappy is [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is regarded as a most excellent contact in this case.

The confidential informant referred to as [REDACTED] in this
report is [REDACTED] is
closer to and has probably associated with more outlaws than any other
man in Oklahoma. He is bitter toward Phoenix Donald and Karpis and it
is felt certain that he will impart any information he has concerning
them to agents Hansen or Kitchin, and it is also believed that he will
cooperate by giving these agents any information he might receive re-
garding Harry Campbell, for the money the Bureau will pay for this
service.

The confidential informant referred to as [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He is also regarded as an excellent
contact in this case as he is well acquainted with Campbell and, as
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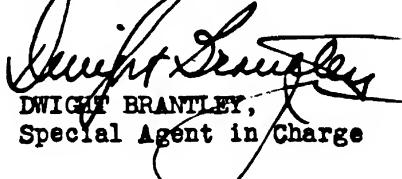
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Each of the above mentioned persons insisted and demanded that their names not be incorporated into any reports made by the agents interviewing them and that they not be interviewed by any other agents, and their request, therefore, in this regard is being granted.

Very truly yours,


DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota.

August 16, 1935.

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Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218,
FUGITIVE; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE - NAT'L FIREARMS ACT

Dear Sir:

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The confidential informant named in the report of
Special Agent F. G. Tillman, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated
[REDACTED] is [REDACTED]

In the interests of his business and further cooperation,
it is [REDACTED] desire that his name not be
mentioned in this matter.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
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August 22, 1935

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Special Delivery

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE,
L. O #1218; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING, etc.

Dear Sir:

This is to confirm teletype from the New York Office of this date to the Bureau, in which it was advised that an informant had contacted the New York Office, advising that he had seen Karpis on the night of August 21st at the Empire Hotel in New York City; further, that this man had been in contact with subject Joe Adams at Miami, Florida, in the early fall of 1934, at which time Adams had indicated to him that members of a kidnap mob were stopping at the El Comodoro Hotel.

This informant is Andrew Turante, 2808-35th Street, ~~Victoria~~, Long Island, who has furnished a signed statement, one unsigned copy of which is attached hereto for the information of the Bureau.

For the information of the Bureau, two agents of the New York City Office have checked into the Empire Hotel, under cover, for the purpose of endeavoring to identify Karpis as stopping there. It has been necessary to adopt this practice inasmuch as the Empire Hotel, cannot it is believed, be contacted through its officials at this time.

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Copies of this statement are not being furnished to the other offices receiving copies of this letter at this time but ~~will be forwarded to them within the next day with a copy of an investigative report.~~ ~~23~~ 24 AUG 28 1935

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cc Chicago cc St. Paul
cc Cincinnati cc Jacksonville.

Very truly yours,

R. WHITLEY

Special Agent in Charge.

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New York, N. Y.
August 22, 1935.

STATEMENT

I, ANDREW CURANTE, 2808-35th Street, Astoria, Long Island, make the following free and voluntary statement to Special Agent J. H. Hansen, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice:

On August 21, 1935, about ten or eleven P.M., while walking by the Colonial Hotel, 63rd Street and Broadway, in New York City, I saw a man who I believe is Alvin Karpis. I recognised this man due to the fact that I believe I saw him at the El Comodoro Hotel in Miami, Florida in September, 1934. My reasons for having seen him there will be set out below. When I saw Karpis last night, he was wearing a soft Panama hat turned down all around, and had a dark brown suit with a brown tie. I noticed him particularly because he looked familiar to me. I might mention that his hair glistened considerably and it appeared to be of an auburn color. I was further attracted to him by the fact that he appeared to be very thin, emaciated looking and that his hat was pulled down very far over his eyes. He was accompanied by a girl whom I judge to be between 17 and 20 years of age. She wore a printed flowered dress. She had bobbed hair, dirty medium color, with the hair pushed behind her ears. She did not wear a hat nor did she carry one.

Thinking that the man was Karpis and after I had walked about twenty steps from him, I turned around and took another look when I was sure from the appearance of his back and his walk that it was he, so for that reason I turned around and followed them and saw them go into the Empire Hotel. I did not go into the Empire Hotel but left that vicinity immediately and today decided to call up the Federal Bureau of Investigation to report this matter.

While I am a native of New York and have always lived here, during the Florida boom I went to that State and settled in Jacksonville where I engaged in the real estate business. This was during the period

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of 1924 to 1927. I operated under my own name at 215 West Forsythe Street. Going broke in the real estate business, I opened a restaurant called the Chatham Club on the Beach Road which I operated until November, 1931. I was then a salesman of physicians' and dental supplies for approximately a year, after which I joined the staff of the Carling Hotel in Jacksonville, Florida, as efficiency manager. While there I worked under the supervision of Mr. Chandler, who is now with the Fred French Company in New York, and of Mr. Dave Meyerson, who is now the owner of the Carling Hotel. In 1933 I went to Miami, Florida, where I was engaged as a salesman for the Modern Appliance Company selling refrigerators and other electrical equipment. During the course of this work I learned that Joe Adams, the manager of the El Comodoro Hotel in Miami, was contemplating opening a restaurant, dining room and bar at that hotel, and that he was seeking a man to operate these facilities. I then contacted Adams in an effort to secure this position. I gave him a number of references, including Mr. Meyerson mentioned above, as well as his brother Myrie, an attorney in Jacksonville. Adams apparently wrote to these references because, on one occasion during the time that I was negotiating with him, which I might mention was during the period of August to about October 15, 1934, Adams read a letter that Dave Meyerson had written to him in which Meyerson highly lauded my ability. At the time he read this letter, Adams stated that on the strength of this one letter he would employ me because it indicated that I was a very good man; further, that I was a type of a man who would hear and see things but who would keep my mouth shut.

During the time that I was negotiating with Adams, I was in and out of the El Comodoro Hotel frequently. I was often in Mr. Adams' private office. At that time Mr. Adams' office was on the lobby floor facing North West First Street. Adams took me through the hotel several times for the purpose of deciding on space to turn into a dining, gambling and drinking room. He decided definitely, after we had discussed the matter, that the bar would be placed on the first floor to the left of the entrance as you entered on Third Avenue and the dining room was to be on the right. He also decided that he was to have gambling rooms on the second floor of the hotel, immediately over the bar in order that a service dumbwaiter could be installed to serve liquor in the gambling rooms direct from the bar. We had definitely made an arrangement whereby I was to be furnished my room and board and paid \$25.00 a week for managing these facilities.

Adams was very anxious to have everything opened in time for the American Legion Convention which took place in Miami October 23rd to 26th. During this period, however, that I was arranging for these plans with Adams, I noticed that there were several guests in the hotel whom Adams afforded every possible courtesy. Whenever these people came into the lobby Adams immediately waited on them himself and would ignore me. I thought this was very suspicious. Some time after he had made the statement to me that he had mentioned above about my being the kind of a man who would keep his mouth shut, I recalled that when we were talking in his office an individual came in there who appears to be identical with the photograph that has been shown to me of Cassius McDonald. At that time McDonald attempted to have Adams intercede in behalf of an individual who had been arrested by the Miami Police in possession of an automobile that had been stolen in Indiana and of which car this individual could not prove ownership. At that time Adams stated that he did not want to do anything for this man because Bob Knight was a bit provoked about having to fix things for too many people. At that time, however, Adams took from his pocket a lot of money, giving some of it to this man who I am told is Cassius McDonald. Adams at the time also said something about spending a lot of money to fix things up.

About this time Adams told me that these people on whom he was waiting himself were members of a mob who had kidnaped a fellow out west and collected \$200,000.00 in ransom. He also said "I can get anything that they got. They've got more money than you can shake a stick at. I can get \$100,000.00 from them". I never paid very much attention to these people because they more or less annoyed me due to the fact that I was trying to make definite arrangements with Adams to get the position as manager for the dining room, etc., also because numerous other people were bothering Adams about the same time. However, I am positive that I have seen the individuals whose photographs have been shown to me and who I have been told are Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, William Harrison, Harry Sawyer, Fred Barker and "Doe" Barker. I also saw an old lady with this group but I never paid much attention to her and for that reason I am not able to identify the photograph of Kate Barker.

I also recall that on one occasion when Joe Adams and I were going through the corridors of the El Comodoro Hotel, I noticed a considerable amount of baggage being taken out of a room, some of which consisted of long packages wrapped in canvas. At that particular time I was attracted to these peculiar pieces of baggage and I said something to Joe about his not complying with the fire laws. Joe answered "that

stuff belongs to that mob I told you about. They got their own home and they are moving out. As soon as they get ready to go we'll take it right out".

I also recall on one occasion when sitting in the office of Mr. Adams, I noticed a letter on his desk from someone in Cleveland, Ohio. I cannot recall the name of this individual at this time but I remember that he is a former jockey and that he is publishing a racing forum in Cleveland, which information was given to me by Joe Adams himself. This man had written Joe to the effect that Damon Runyan, the sports writer, and other celebrities, including underworld characters, would stop at the El Comodoro Motel when they came to Florida. Joe mentioned this on occasions when he was telling me that he was going to make the El Comodoro a money maker and the most popular hotel in Miami. No doubt he told me this to influence my accepting the position as manager of the dining room, etc.

Joe Adams also told me that the mob were bankroll men for the gamblers.

I never heard anything mentioned about Cuba except that on one occasion Joe was talking to Bob Knight about employing me not only to manage the dining room, etc. in the El Comodoro but also to operate the concession at the Biscayne Kennel Club which concession had been let out on a contract basis heretofore but the lease of which was soon to expire and that they intended to operate themselves. During the course of conversation Bob Knight asked Joe Adams whether I would be a good man for Cuba and Mr. Adams said that he would rather have me there with him and he could find somebody else for Cuba. This is the only mention that was made of Cuba and I do not know what they referred to.

The individual whose photograph I have identified and whom I understand to be Cassius McDonald, I am sure I have seen at the McAllister Hotel on numerous occasions during the fall and winter of 1934-1935. I had a girl friend named Otilia Nettinger who is a Western Union branch operator at the McAllister Hotel and who is regularly employed at a similar station at the Brown Hotel in Louisville, Kentucky. It was while visiting with her at the McAllister that I noticed Cassius McDonald in the lobby of the hotel, and I noticed that he frequently talked to young children, pretending to be a very fatherly sort of a man. I believe that he sent Western Union telegrams from this hotel and I recall that he was referred to as "Mac".

I also believe that I saw this man on the porch of the Halcyon Hotel where I was living. I also believe that I saw him at the race betting room at the Roman Pools located in Miami Beach. I also believe that I saw Cassius McDonald, along with the individuals who I am told are Harry Sawyer and William Harrison, whose photographs I have also identified, at a saloon near the El Comodore Hotel, which saloon is located on Third Avenue northwest, a few doors from the El Comodore Hotel toward Flagler Street.

I might also mention that Joe Adams told me, when he was talking about this mob, that he always waited on these people himself; that he assigned the rooms to them; that they were good spenders; that they would stay two or three days, would give him \$200 or \$300, or if they stayed longer \$1,000., and that they would never ask for any change, also that they would never ask for a bill.

I might also mention that when I first began negotiating with Joe Adams, he told me that he had recently made an airplane trip to Cleveland, Ohio but he never stated for what purpose he made this trip, except that he had to make it on account of that mob.

I might also mention that while I had made definite arrangements with Joe Adams to take over the operation of his dining room, etc., as has been explained above, I was to commence work on October 16, 1934, moving into the hotel on that date. Prior thereto we had figured out what equipment would be necessary. However, in view of what Adams had told me about my being the kind of a man he wanted, as has been more fully explained above, also because of the actions of the mob mentioned above and Adams' peculiar interest in them; further, because of various rumors that I heard around town about the fact that Joe Adams and Bob Knight did not treat their employees well, I decided not to accept this position, thinking that possibly I would get into trouble if I were in Adams' employ. For this reason, without saying anything to Joe Adams, I ceased all connections with him and never went back to the El Comodore Hotel.

I might mention that other than Joe Adams and Bob Knight, I am not acquainted with anybody at the El Comodore Hotel except that I have seen Arthur Sanderson, the clerk at the desk there. I also learned from a woman who resided at the Halcyon Hotel and who

is a saled woman, as they are called in hotel kitchens, that Joe Adams was a very hard man to work for and she was particularly critical of him because she understood that he was about to dismiss Sanderson from the employ of the hotel.

Recently while on the streets of New York I met an old hotel steward called Mac, whose name I do not know but whom I have known for many years, having met him in Atlantic City a number of years ago. He is an old timer in the hotel business and makes Florida every year. We talked about the Barker-Karpis episode in Florida and about the fact that Joe Adams was in trouble and at that time Mac told me that nothing would ever come of it. Mac also mentioned to me that at this time the criminal/element that is still in Miami is making its headquarters at the Washington Hotel in Miami Beach. This is an hotel catering to Jewish people exclusively and I was very much surprised to think that the criminal/element would be hanging out there but Mac claimed that he had it from a good source; that they were there at this time.

As I have mentioned above, I went to Miami, Florida in the fall of 1933 and remained there until April 15, 1936, when I returned to New York City, where I am now living at the above address with my brother, Albert Gurante, who is a PWA employee on Long Island. I intend to make my home for the time being with my brother.

After reading the above statement, I affix my signature thereto voluntarily.

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1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
SEPTEMBER 7, 1935

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

RE: AMERICAN AUTO AND RADIO MANUFACTURING
CO., INC.
HARRY SCHWARTZBERG, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1119-A
NATIONAL BANKRUPTCY ACT

Dear Sir:

The name of the confidential informant, mentioned in the
report of Special Agent J.J. Egan, dated [REDACTED]
in the above entitled case, is [REDACTED] informant in the
Breslau case.

Very truly yours,

W.A. SMITH
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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629 First National Bank Building,
Omaha, Nebraska
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"Personal and Confidential"

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at Ninth Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive,
I.O. 1218: et al.
Edward George Bremer, Victim.
Kidnaping; Harboring and Obstruction
of Justice; National Firearms Act.

Dear Sir:-

I invite your attention to the report of
Special Agent in Charge John A. Dowd, Omaha, dated [redacted]
[redacted] in this matter.

The names of the informants, mentioned in that report, are [REDACTED] in the employ of the Sioux City, Iowa, Department of Police; also [REDACTED] an informant of the Omaha Bureau Office. [REDACTED]

Very truly yours,

John A. Dowd
E. E. B.

JOHN A. DOWD,
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida
November 25, 1935.

PERSONAL and CONFIDENTIAL

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the confidential informant mentioned in the report of Special Agent F. F. Yearsley, Jacksonville, Florida, [REDACTED] please be advised that the name of this individual is [REDACTED]

This informant has agreed to communicate with the Jacksonville Office under the name of [REDACTED] if any data learned by him is believed to be of value.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt
R. A. Alt R. B. O.
Special Agent in Charge.

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DECEMBER 13, 1935.

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: B R E K I D

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent A.E. Farland, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, [REDACTED] in the above entitled case.

[REDACTED] The confidential informant therein mentioned is [REDACTED]

Very truly yours,

W. A. Smith
W. A. SMITH MCS
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 536
Los Angeles, California
February 11, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from the Los Angeles Office to Mr. E. J. Connelley at Chicago, Illinois, dated today, concerning information that had been furnished to the Los Angeles Office by a confidential informant concerning William E. Mead who is being sought in connection with the above entitled case.

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The confidential informant referred to is [REDACTED] who has been used for some time by this office in connection with the BREKID case.

Very truly yours,

J. H. Hanson
J. H. HANSON
Special Agent in Charge

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KANSAS CITY JOURNAL POST MARCH 1, 1936 KANSAS CITY MISSOURI.

KARPIS ASSOCIATE NAMED IN KILLING OF TULSA LAWYER

Kansas Convict Says He Saw Murder, It Is Reported.

By United Press.

TULSA, Feb. 29.—Harry Campbell, associate of Alvin Karpis, first ranking public enemy, Saturday was accused of the slaying of J. Earl Smith, Tulsa attorney, whose body was found near the Indian Hills Golf club in August, 1932.

Maj. Wint Smith, Kansas assistant attorney general, said that Jim Lawson, convict serving life in the Kansas state penitentiary, confessed that he saw the Tulsa lawyer killed.

The confession alleged that Eddie Snyder, now serving a 5-year term at McAlester penitentiary, induced Lawson to join him in a robbery. They got the attorney to meet them and drove to the golf course. Lawson, according to Major Smith, related that when the attorney stepped from the car Snyder clubbed him on the head with a pistol, and Campbell shot him.

Lawson said he helped drag the body from the car. He indicated that Campbell killed the lawyer to avoid paying him a \$3,200 fee.

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KANSAS CONVICT NAMES TWO AS TULSA SLAYERS

J. Earl Smith, Lawyer, Victim of Client Who Owed Him, He Says.

By United Press.

TULSA, OK., March 5.—Jimmie Lawson, a convict serving a life term in the Kansas penitentiary, has told police why and how J. Earl Smith, Tulsa criminal lawyer, was slain three years ago, authorities disclosed Thursday.

The slaying has baffled police from the time the attorney's bullet-pierced body was found beside his automobile near the Indian Hills Country club. He had left home one night in response to a phone call. The next day he was to have represented Harvey Bailey, convicted kidnaper of Charles Urschel, in a bank robbery trial at Fort Scott, Kas.

Lawson was brought here secretly Wednesday by Maj. Wint Smith of the Kansas highway patrol, and, accompanied by Smith and Oklahoma authorities, went to the scene of the slaying. There he described the crime.

Names Two as Slayers.

Lawson named Eddie Snyder, serving a 25-year sentence in the Oklahoma penitentiary, and Harry Campbell, alleged member of the Fred Barker gang and an associate of Alvin Karpis, as the slayers. He admitted a part in the slaying.

The motive for the killing, he told police, was a desire to evade payment of a \$32,000 attorney fee which Campbell owed Smith. The attorney was known to have represented Campbell in various cases here and Lawson said the attorney had promised Barker he would obtain freedom for his brother, Arthur (Doc) Barker, then in jail on a robbery charge.

Dragged-Body from Car.

Snyder, Lawson said, struck the attorney on the head when the four met at the rendezvous. Then Campbell shot him, he said. Lawson said he aided Snyder and Campbell in dragging the victim's body from his automobile.

Owen J. Watts, state investigator, said John Doe warrants against Snyder, Campbell and Lawson had been issued in Rogers county. Campbell is a fugitive.

Lawson directed officers along the route the slayers took in returning to Tulsa and pointed to a pond where he said Snyder disposed of the gun. Police planned to drag the pond for the weapon.

Lawson was returned to the Kansas penitentiary Thursday.

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March 13, 1936,

Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri

MR. ALVIN KARPIS with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREWER - Kidnapping
KIDNAPPER

Dear Sirs:

With reference to your letter of March 7, 1936 concerning Jim Lawson, who it was contemplated might be used as a confidential informant in the above entitled case, it is noted that Lawson was not returned to the Kansas State Penitentiary, but was taken to the State Reformatory at Hutchinson, Kansas, and evidently is still incarcerated in that institution.

It further appears that newspaper items indicate Lawson has confessed that he, together with Eddie Snyder and Harry Campbell, murdered Attorney J. Earl Smith of Tulsa, Oklahoma. In this connection it is desired that you interview Lawson and obtain from him a complete statement relative to his assertion concerning the murder of J. Earl Smith. Inasmuch as previous information furnished the Bureau is not in accord with Lawson's statement appearing in the news items, your efforts should be directed to clarifying the circumstances surrounding the death of Attorney Smith and the implication of his accomplices in this killing.

For the information of those offices not in possession of the news items, which are referred to herein, there is being transmitted to each of the offices receiving a copy of this letter a copy of the news item appearing in the Kansas City Journal Post of March 9, 1936, bearing the date line "Tulsa, Ok., March 9".

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P. M.
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Very truly yours,
John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

CC - St. Paul
Chicago
Cincinnati

Encl. (copy of news item, referred to above,
to all offices)

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
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Mr. Schilder
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy
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W.C.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 4907,
BFF:MFS Jacksonville, Florida.

March 18, 1936.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
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Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

Dear Sir:- RE: BREKID.

Reference is made to report of Special Agent [REDACTED] Jacksonville, Florida, dated [REDACTED] of which reference is made to a confidential informant who advised concerning the location of one WILLIE HEENEY at Miami.

Please be advised that the informant in question is one [REDACTED]

Very truly yours,

R. B. Nathan

R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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St. Paul
E. J. Connelley, Chicago

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

The confidential informant mentioned
in the report of Special Agent [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Detroit, Michigan

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke
H. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

March 26, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of the writer dated [REDACTED] at Chicago, Illinois, concerning investigation conducted at Miami, Miami Beach, and other places in Florida in an effort to locate Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.

Please be advised that confidential informant [REDACTED] referred to in said report is one [REDACTED] and confidential informant [REDACTED]

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Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley
E. J. CONNELLEY, *ed.*

Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

420 Federal Building,
Dallas, Texas.

March 26, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Dear Sir:

The informant mentioned in my report
captioned BREKID, of March 26, 1936, is one [REDACTED]

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Very truly yours,

F. J. Blake

F. J. BLAKE,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

H. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

April 1, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

The confidential informant who furnished the description of subject Karpis, which has been forwarded to all field offices, is [redacted]

It should be indicated here that the information relative to the ownership of an interest in a gambling club known as the Monaco Club, located near Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, was furnished to the Pittsburgh office by telephone on this date, together with the complete description of subject Karpis, together with the license number and description of the automobile believed to be in the possession of Karpis.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland
J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In connection with the report of Special Agent M. C. Falkner, El Paso, Texas, dated April 8, 1936, in the above entitled matter, it will be noted that on page 8, last paragraph, Agent Falkner discloses that through confidential source arrangements have been made for complete coverage of telephone calls of one C. G. Campbell.

This is to advise that this matter was arranged through [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], and that he is the only person, aside [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] who knows of this arrangement.

In order to secure confidential and full cooperation of [REDACTED] it was necessary to disclose the nature of this case. It is felt that he can be entirely relied upon.

Very truly yours,

*R. H. Colvin*R. H. COLVIN
Special Agent in Charge.

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1216 Smith Young Tower,
San Antonio, Texas,
April 25, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

REKID

Dear Sir:-

Referring to report of Special Agent J. C. White, San
Antonio, Texas, for [REDACTED]
referred to therein [REDACTED]

Very truly yours,
Gus T. Jones,
Special Agent in Charge

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June 8, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

[REDACTED] is the confidential informant, who furnished information with reference to Robert Reed, a former bartender at the Casino Club, Toledo, Ohio, possessing information about the murder of Dr. Moran in the vicinity of the Casino Club, as set out in the letter from this office to the Jacksonville office dated June 8, 1936.

[REDACTED] will be referred to in future reports as [REDACTED]

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland
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Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box #1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas,
June 9th, 1936.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREAKAD

Dear Sir:

In accordance with instructions contained in Bureau communication of May 21st, 1936, (86-4634), I have paid to E. V. Woodcock for his Father, E. K. Woodcock, the sum of \$71.16 in cash and have taken from Mr. E. F. Woodcock a receipt signed by his father acknowledging receipt of this sum in full of all damages sustained to the property at Camp Fairchild on Lake Catherine near Hot Springs, Arkansas. The receipt mentioned is being retained in our files for any possible further reference.

I am forwarding herewith a voucher covering this payment.

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Very truly yours,

CHARLES FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

RE: B R E K I D

Dear Sir:

The informant of Special Agent G. H. Franklin
mentioned in the report of Special Agent V. W.
Gillen, Kansas City, Missouri, dated [REDACTED]
is [REDACTED]

The informant of Special Agent V. W. Gillen is
[REDACTED]

Very truly yours,

W. A. Smith

W. A. SMITH,
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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October 30, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to my letter dated [REDACTED] at Cleveland, Ohio, relative to police corruption and vice in the city of Cleveland, and suburbs. Contained therein was certain information relative to the secret owners of the Thomas Club, which information was obtained from a confidential source.

This is to advise that the information mentioned above was secured from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], by Special Agent A. Paul Kitchin. At the time this information was obtained, [REDACTED] stated that he had been furnished same by [REDACTED] under the promise that same would be treated as confidential by him. [REDACTED]

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Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLY
Inspector.

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United States Department of Justice

Post Office Box #1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas,
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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In connection with the telephone surveillances being maintained at Hot Springs, Arkansas, telephonic advice was received from Special Agent John L. Madala at Hot Springs this afternoon, to the effect that linemen for the Hot Springs Telephone Company had been working on the pole from which the lead-in wires are run into the point of surveillance at 207 Laurel Avenue in Hot Springs. Because of this activity Agent Madala has disconnected the wires at the terminal box, three blocks down the street, so that should the suspicions of the telephone employees be aroused they could not ascertain the identity of the phones on which the taps have been maintained. Consequently, these telephone taps are temporarily out of service.

This information was communicated to Inspector E. J. Connelley by telephone at Cincinnati, Ohio and he instructed that the lead-in wires be taken down and that the Agents on surveillance be permitted to come in to Little Rock for two or three days, until it could be determined whether the maintenance of the taps had been discovered. However, in discussing this point later with Agent Madala it is not deemed desirable at this time to take these wires down inasmuch as the telephone linemen apparently observed these wires today leading across the street and their absence might tend to arouse their suspicions more than leaving them intact. It is possible that the telephone linemen have completed their work, or that it will be completed sometime tomorrow. The Agents at Hot Springs will be on the alert to observe any indications reflecting that the telephone surveillances are known and, if any, in accordance with suggestions of Inspector Connelley, he will be advised as to the desirability of replacing

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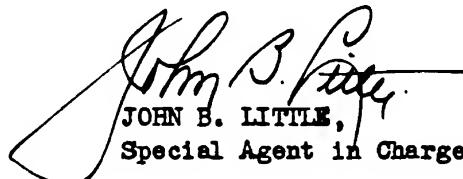
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the taps sometime on December 26th, 1936 and his advice in connection therewith followed. Because the lead-in wires are remaining intact it is considered desirable for at least one Agent assigned to the surveillances to remain in Hot Springs.

The Bureau will be advised of further developments.

Very truly yours,


JOHN B. LITTLE,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

Re: GEORGE TIMINEY; DR. JOSEPH P.
MORAN, wa - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232;
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREWER -
Victim. Kidnapping; Obstruction
of Justice; Harboring of Fugitives;
National Firearms Act.

The name of the confidential informant mentioned in the
report of Special Agent John R. Welles, Oklahoma City, [REDACTED]
is [REDACTED]

It might be noted that this informant will probably
relay any information he obtains to George Hill, Post Office
Inspector at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and care in this matter will be
used in interviewing him by Agents of this field division.

Very truly yours,

Dwight Brantley
DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Harboring Cases at Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. Suran on January 2, 1937, further conferred with Mr. Foster, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, concerning the proposed prosecutions to be had at Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio, of those persons who harbored Alvin Karpis and other members of the Karpis Barker Gang.

Mr. Foster stated he would be in Toledo, Ohio, on January 5, 1937, and would recommend to United States Attorney Freed the prosecution of the following individuals in Toledo, Ohio: Bert Angus, Ted Angus, Madeline Angus, Ruth ~~Well~~, Thelma ~~Wolst~~, Rena ~~Wolst~~, Gladys Sawyer, Edith Barry, Frank P. Greenwald and possibly George Timiney. It was pointed out to Mr. Foster that Gladys Sawyer did not harbor Alvin Karpis or "Doc" Barker in Toledo, Ohio, and, therefore, it would appear no prosecutive action could be taken against her for harboring in Toledo, but, however, Gladys Sawyer did associate with members of the gang in Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Foster inquired as to the attitude of Gladys Sawyer, and Mr. Suran advised him that prior to the conviction of her husband, Harry Sawyer, in connection with the Bremer kidnaping case, Gladys Sawyer maintained a hostile attitude towards the Government, but subsequent to the conviction of Sawyer, it appears that she has endeavored to cooperate in every way possible and was a witness for the Government against Jack Peifer at the time Peifer was tried for the kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr., at St. Paul, Minnesota, which trial resulted in a conviction. She has also furnished information concerning the Harvard Club at Cleveland, Ohio.

In a further discussion of possible witnesses in Toledo, Mr. Foster inquired as to the identity of "Doc" Barker's girl at that place. He was advised that the woman was Mildred Kuhlman who possessed valuable information concerning the Angus brothers and also George Timiney, but that she was more or less in the position of a confidential informant, and it was not known whether she could be induced to testify.

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Mr. Foster was not so advised but you will recall that [REDACTED] known as Confidential Informant [REDACTED] in Toledo, Ohio, furnished valuable information concerning this case, which information resulted in the apprehension of "Doc" Barker. Prior to giving information, Informant [REDACTED] was promised that nothing would be done to embarrass Mildred Kuhlman. Although the Kuhlman woman is not familiar with the arrangement made with Informant [REDACTED] it would appear that if she did not desire to testify and would feel that it would embarrass her, the Bureau is more or less obligated not to stress the issue.

At Cleveland, Ohio, Mr. Foster expressed the opinion that successful prosecutions could be had against John Gorman, Joe Roscoe, and Arthur Heberbrand, Heberbrand being the operator of the Harvard Club at Cleveland, John Gorman being an employee of the Harvard Club. Joe Roscoe is a prominent gambler of Toledo, Ohio, and was also involved in the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail robbery.

Mr. Foster stated that he did not know exactly what Mr. Freed had in mind when the latter requested him to be in Toledo, Ohio, on January 5, 1937; that although the Grand Jury is in session at Toledo, Ohio, at the present time, he did not believe this matter would be presented to a Grand Jury at this term, as no subpoenas had been issued for the witnesses. Mr. Foster stated he believed it would be desirable to have complaints issued against the various subjects in order that an opportunity could be had to interview them in an effort to obtain information prior to submitting the case to the Grand Jury. He was advised that this situation had been discussed between Mr. Connelley and Mr. Freed, and it was decided that this procedure would be proper in the event the Grand Jury met prior to the time it would be necessary to afford the various defendants final hearings before the United States Commissioner.

Mr. Foster further stated that he believed it would be desirable to discuss this case with Special Agents Wynn and Sullivan at Toledo, Ohio, but that he would not request them to be present on January 5, 1937, as he did not know what arrangements had been made by United States Attorney Freed. He was advised if he desired the services of these two Agents, he should have Mr. Freed communicate with Mr. MacFarland of the Cleveland Field Division and arrangements would be made for Agents Wynn and Sullivan to contact Mr. Freed at Toledo, Ohio.

Memo for the Director

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Concerning the summary reports which have been submitted in connection with this matter, Mr. Foster stated he found them quite thorough, but also had difficulty in selecting therefrom the relevant evidence. He stated he appreciated the fact that the Bureau made no recommendation as to who should be prosecuted in connection with the case and that relevant and irrelevant evidence was contained in the summary reports in order that the attorneys studying the same would have a complete background of the case.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box #1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas.
January 15th, 1937.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are copies of the logs covering the telephone taps at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in connection with the above case, for January 11, 12 and 13, 1937, together with a conversation omitted from the log for January 7, 1937, which relates to a conversation between Mayor McLaughlin and W. S. Jacobs regarding the proposed investigation at Hot Springs by a Legislative Committee, together with the attendant memoranda submitted by Special Agent John L. Madala, in connection therewith.

Very truly yours,

JOHN B. LITTLE,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the logs for December 22, 23 and 26, 1936, covering the telephone taps being maintained at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in connection with captioned case.

Very truly yours,

John B. Little
JOHN B. LITTLE,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Hot Springs, Arkansas.
December 29, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR INSPECTOR E. J. CONNELLY

Re: Brekid.

There are attached hereto the logs for December 22, 1936 covering the taps on telephones listed to the Chief of Police, City Jailor, and Mayor's Office, all located in the City Hall at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

It should be noted that the calls made with reference to one Parker who is employed at Miller's Cigar Store, a book-making establishment, is predicated upon a complaint made by "Billy" who appears to be a prostitute call girl. From the conversations set out in the log, it appears that the Hot Springs Police Department protect and act as a collection agency for the prostitutes working in town. The disposition of the case against Parker is not known, but the logs for the next day indicate that he was re-arrested and booked for Larceny. It is also pointed out that W. S. Jacobs called for "Dutch" Akers with reference to Stanley Parker.

The call recorded at 5:10 P.M. over telephone #125 indicates the "fixing" of a parking ticket by "Dutch" Akers.

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Respectfully submitted,

John L. Madala,
Special Agent.

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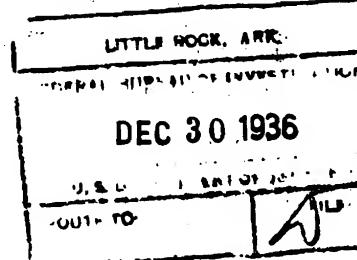
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MEMORANDUM FOR INSPECTOR E. J. CONNELL.

Little Rock, Arkansas.
December 31, 1936.

Re: Brekid.

Logs for December 22, 1936.
Police.

10:44 A. M. Outgoing on 123 apparently refers to the negro body that was shipped from Washington, D.C. and was a case of mistaken identity.

12:10 P.M.

12:14 P.M. The Grover mentioned herein was arrested by the Hot Springs Police and charged with the murder of his wife.

1:20 P.M. It will be noted that Chief of Detectives Akers states his brother has a garage.

2:51 P.M. There is such a man as Parker staying at the Marquette Hotel but I

3:14 P.M. have been unable to find out much about him as "Smitty", the day clerk,

3:16 P.M. stated he was quiet and did not say much. He did state, however, that Parker worked in the gambling room at Millers. "The old man" possibly refers to Mr. Jacobs, owner of Millers. It will be noted that Akers made this call before any arrest was made, and later Chief Fakelin intimated that the case could be cleared up without going to court.

Submitted by:

B. L. Darren,
Special Agent.

TAPS ON TELEPHONES #123 ~ 446

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CITY JAILOR. HOT SPRINGS, ARK.

SURVEILLANCE AT 207 LAUREL AVE

12/22/36.

12:02 AM. - in #1

Officers (Murray + Kelly) - Reported at 1246.

12:55 AM. - in #1.

Woman - send a car to 801 Valley St.

1:05 AM. - in #1.

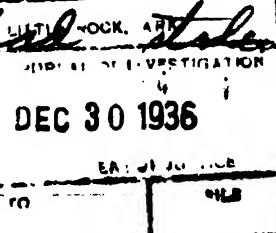
Officers (Kelly + Murray) - Reported at 126.

1:30 AM. - in #1.

Woman - gave additional information to Moore concerning theft of a bird dog from 801 Valley St.

1:32 AM. - out #2.

Moore - called long distance to Dept. Sheriff C. W. Allen, Benton, Ark., and gave description of two men and the auto in which riding who ~~had stolen~~ the bird dog.



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2:00 A.M. - Dr #1

Officer (Murray) - Reported at 777 and
asked for Moore.

Cornington - Not in.

2:46 A.M. - Dr #2 (from Pay Station)

Moore - Asked Cornington "if anything
doing" and advised she
would be over shortly.

3:10 A.M. - Dr #1.

yes

Officers (Murray & Kelly) - at 126.

4:05 A.M. - Dr #1.

Officers (Kelly & Murray) - Reported at 777.

5:00 A.M. - Dr #1.

Officers (Murray & Kelly) - Reported at 126.

yes

5:55 A.M. - Dr #2.

Man - Advised Cornington he was
holding a man at Oaklawn
Tourist Camp who had been
stealing from milk route.

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6:00 Am - In #1.

Woman - Inquired the number of
breakfasts needed -
Cornington - Ten.

6:01 Am - Out #1.

Cornington - Called 1038 and woke
up Mrs "Mac".

6:05 Am - In #1 -

Man - Requested officers to hurry up
to Oaklawn tourist Camp.

Cornington - They're on their way -

6:20 Am - Out #2 -

Moore - Asked operator if she
recalled where the last
two calls came in from -

Op - No I can't remember.

Moore - advise they had the wrong
address on a complaint -

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Has.

7:15 A.M. - on #2

Woman - Made complaint of theft
of green Oldsmobile Coupe.

Moore - Instructed her to send
her husband to station
with details.

7:25 A.M. - on #2 - for Moore - Has.

Moore - Hello.

Man - This is Eatnor (phonetic). I
went up there and got that
what I was telling you
about last night.

Moore - Leave it there and I'll
send up after it.

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8³1 Am Incoming #173 Glen
Man called and asked for Arch Cooper.
Not In.

8⁴⁰ Am Incoming #446 Glen
Man called and asked Police to
pick up drunk at Broadway Hotel.

8⁴⁸ Am Incoming #446 Glen
Cornington - City Jail
Man - Do you have Irene Brown
in jail?
Cornington - Yes.
Man - Thanks.

9⁰⁴ Am Outgoing #446 Glen
Arch Cooper called #181 and
talked to Catherine - No importance.

9⁰⁸ Am Incoming #173 Glen
Man called Arch Cooper and told
him to send officers up to Court Room.

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9¹⁰ Incoming #446 Glm

Ms. Trammel called and asked
for Bob Moore. She was told that
Moore was in Court Room.

9¹⁴ Incoming #173 Glm

Call for Buchanan - In Court

9²⁰ Incoming #173 Glm

Call for Bob Moore. In Court.

9²² Incoming #173 Glm

Call for Cecile Brock. In Court.

9²⁷ Out going #173 Glm

Moore - 1965

Woman - Hello

Moore - Who is this?

Woman - OK - this is the old woman.

Say - what did Sis tell you
the other night?

Moore - Nothing.

Woman - Hello - She's mad as hell with
me cause I asked you to help
me out the last

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Moore - Honey, I'm busy now -

I'll see you later.

Woman - All right - don't forget.

9:35 Outgoing #173 Glen

Bob Moore - 366.0

Scottie Murray - Hello -

Moore - Scottie - this is Bob - have
you got a picture of Pug Sison?

Murray - No, I haven't but Walter
has one. I'll get it for you.

Moore - I wish you would and
bring it over.

Murray - Ok Bob.

9:40 Incoming #173 Glen

Call for Cecil Brock - Not in.

10:00 Incoming #173 Glen

Call for Arch Cooper - Not in.

Man asked that Arch Cooper be
told to call the Belvedere.

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10:00 A.M. Incoming on #133 J.L.M.

Dick Swain: Is Chief Nakeli there?

Nakeli: Hello.

Dick Swain: This is Dick Swain. Did you call me?

Nakeli: Yes - what time do you want to go up there?

Dick Swain: I can go right now.

Nakeli: O.K. - come by, and I'll send somebody with you.

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10¹⁴ Outgoing #173

Glen

Akers - 3700

Woman - Hello -

Akers - Is Mr. Simms there?

Simms - Hello -

Akers - This is Herbert Akers - did you want me?

Simms - Yes - there's a note here that is 2 or 3 days over.

Akers - Ok - I be up by there in a little while and take care of it.

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Incoming #173

Glen

Call for Cecil Brock - Not In.

10²⁰

Outgoing #173

Glen

Brock - 2089

Woman - New Park Hospital

Brock - Let me talk to Buchanan.

Buchanan - Hello -

Brock - Buck - the Chief wants you to stay up there and to send Abbott back with the car.

Buchanan - Ok.

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10²³ Outgoing #446 *Ghan*
Arch Cooper - 2142 (Belvedere Dairy)
Man - Hello

Arch Cooper - Is Sam there?
Sam - Hello

Arch Cooper - This is Arch.

Sam - Yeah - Arch. You lost two
of your cows - do you want
me to send them in?

Cooper - Yes - go ahead and will settle
later.

10²⁴ Outgoing #173

Ghan

Akers - 2174

Woman - Hello

Akers - Is Mr Wilson there?

Woman - No - he isn't.

Akers - This is Herbert Akers. Have him
call me.

Woman - All right.

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1035 Outgoing #173 Gbm

Akers - 786

Woman - Hello -

Akers - Is Mrs Gladson there?

Woman - Yes, but she is busy right now.

Akers - Have her call Akers at #173

1035 Incoming #446 Gbm

Mrs Castle called Chief Stakeen
and asked him if he could help
her locate Loretta. Lengthy conversation
of no importance.

1044 Outgoing #173 Gbm

Akers - 736 (Royal Undertakers)

Harris - Hello -

Akers - Harris this is Robert Akers. Have
you heard anything about that
body from Washington?

Harris - Not a thing.

Akers - Drop by here sometime. I
want to talk with you about
that.

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10⁵⁷ Incoming #183 *Glen*
Call for Cecil Brock - Not In.

10⁵⁶ Outgoing #446 *Glen*
Arch Cooper = 2475 No Answer.

11⁰⁰ Incoming #446 *Glen*
Call for Tucker - Not In.

11⁰⁸ Incoming #183 *Glen*
Call for Makelin - Not In

11¹⁸ Outgoing #173 *Glen*
Akers 3800

Man = Hello

Akers = Have you an account for
Charles McCullum?

Man = (pause) No no record of
active or inactive account.

11⁵⁴ Incoming #183 *Glen*
Call for Cecil Brock - Not In.

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11⁵⁵ Outgoing #173 Glm

Akers = Western Union

Man = Western Union -

Akers = This is Herbert Akers. Do you handle Express Travelers Checks?

Man = Yes.

Akers = Do they have Western Union stamped in one corner?

Man = Yes.

Akers = Have you heard anything about any bad ones in town?

Man = No.

Akers = Well if you hear of any let me know.

12⁰⁵ Outgoing #173 Glm

Akers = 3421 (Grace Goldstein)

Maid = Hello

Akers = Is Grace awake -

Grace = Hello -

Akers = One of your girls was down at the Kentucky last night with a man who had a

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\$50 Express Check. Do you
know anything about him?

Grace - Yes - He tried to get me
to cash it but I wouldn't.

Akers - Well - I don't think it is
any good.

Grace - He just ran into him down
at the Hot Springs Confectionery.
He said his name was Hinton.
He wanted to spend some
money up here but he only
had that check and I wouldn't
cash it for him.

Akers - Well, try to get a line on him
and let me know. You
might run into him again.

Grace - Ok. Honey!

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12:20 P.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.D.

Phil Johnson: Is Alva there?

Alva: Hello

Phil Johnson: This is Phil Johnson of the Dodge Co. - ask Grover what dealer he sold that car to.

Alva: I can't right now - I'll talk to him later and get that for you.

12:44 P.M. Incoming on #446

J.L.D.

Sol: Is Alva there?

Alva: Hello -

Sol: This is Sol - what attorney is representing Grover?

Alva: I'm his representative. I'm not letting anybody talk to him yet. When I do, + he wants someone I'll let you know.

Sol: O.K. - do that.

12:30 P.M. Incoming #123

J.L.D.

Alva: 1254-W.

Is Henry there?

Man: No, he's gone to work.

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12:37 P.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.M.

Hoake: Is Habelin or Abes there?

Abes: Hello.

Hoake: Complained about people parking their cars in a restricted parking zone in front of his place.

Abes: Said he would send down and have it taken care of.

12:38 P.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.M.

Woman called and reported a man down at Cottage and Gulfos Streets.

12:40 P.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.M.

Jack Manier: Is Abes there?

Abes: Hello.

Manier: This is Jack Manier - there is a fellow named Schalk (phonetic) laying up here - a gang has been contacting and threatening him for something.

I thought you might want to know something about it.

Abes: I most certainly do.

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Manie: Can you come up here to talk to him
Abes: Yes, I'll be right up.

12:44 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.D.
Man called for Koch Cooper - not in.

1:00 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.D.
Man: Is Abes there?

Abes: ~~the~~ Hello.

Man: This is the Lamas Bath House - do you
want to come up here, or do you want
that gentleman to come down there?

Abes: I'm pretty busy right now - tell him
to come down here and ask for me.

Man: O.K. Dutch -

Note: Has reference to call made at 12:40 P.M.
by Jack Manie.

1:06 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.D.
Man called and reported that a man walked
off with two overcoats at the Imperial Cleaning
Co. - asked for an officer to investigate matter.
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1:10 P.M. Outgoing on #123 J.L.D.

Abes: 2011 (Deluxe Studio)

Man: Hello.

Abes: Is Claude there?

Man: Talking

Abes: About that car - where you the one who
lost it?

Man: No, it was Jimmy Stoenapher - call him at
1694-5 - he's home now.

1:11 P.M. Outgoing on #123 J.L.D.

Abes: 1694-5.

Is Jimmy there?

Woman: No, he'd gone to work a few minutes
ago.

1:18 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.D.

Woman: Is John Dixon in the City Jail?

Sgt. Tucker: I don't know.

Woman: You don't know whether or not he's
in jail?

Tucker: No.

Woman: Thank you very much.

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1:20 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.D.
Jimmy Stonecipher: Did you call me, Hutch?
Abes: Yes. — the wife of the boy who
stole your car is coming up to
deal with you. She wants to buy
the car. Ask \$50.00 for it — if she pays
me half it'll be O.K. to deal with her.
Stonecipher: Where is the car?
Abes: It's stored at my brother's garage.
Stonecipher: O.K. Hutch — thanks for calling.

1:23 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.D.
Woman called for Chief Mahan —
not here just now.

1:30 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.D.
Man called for Mr. Abes — was advised
he just went out to dinner.

1:32 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.D.
Bross Mortuary reported an emergency call
to rear of Post Office where a man fell and
split his head open.

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1:55 P.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.M.

Man: Is Cecil Brock or Bushman there?

Joe Scott: No, they are not.

Man: Who is there?

Joe Scott: Just myself.

2:51 P.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.M.

Billy: Is Chuy Nakelin in?

Nakelin: Hello.

Billy: This is Billy - how are you feeling?

Nakelin: I'm tired.

Billy: What have you been doing?

Nakelin: Hunting that bird.

Billy: I want to tell you something - you know ~~the~~ ~~old~~ ~~bad~~ ~~old~~ Parker, don't you? He works in the rear of Miller's Cigar Store. Well last Thursday he invited me to his room at the Marquette Hotel for a drink - I had three or four drinks, + then he took eight dollars out of my pocketbook. I asked him for the money, and he wouldn't give it back - said there wasn't anything I could do about

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it. Do you know him?

Wakelin: No, I don't.

Billy: Well, he works for Miller in the back
of the store.

Wakelin: You call me back - and I'll see what
I can do and find out.

3:10 P.M. I running on #123

J.L.M.

Mr. Lathum called and reported a drunk at
Broadway and Grand Street.

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J.L.M.

Akers: 116 (Miller's Cigar Store)

Now, Hello.

Akers: Is Herb Greeley there?

Greeley: Hello.

Akers: That boy, Parker - they got him on a
robbery charge. He had a girl at the
Marquette Hotel, + robbed her of \$8.00.
He admitted to it.

Greeley: Well, I don't know what to do - I think
I'll see the "old man" about it.

Akers: You can call me.

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3:16 P.M. Outgoing on # 446

J. L. Jr.

Watson: 4571

Billy: Hello.

Watson: Billy, can you come to the Clerk's Office and get out a warrant for Parker?

Billy: Will I have to do that?

Watson: If you get out a warrant, I can go and pick him up.

Billy: Listen Joe, there was another couple in the room with us - I suppose he'll get them to say that he didn't take the money from me.

Watson: He made a stash that he gave you \$5.00 of that money.

Billy: He did.

Watson: Did you turn a trick for him.

Billy: Yes, he told the porter he wanted to see me - after we finished he invited me to have a couple of drinks. I had three or four, and he took that money from me then. I really don't want him arrested, - I just want my money back.

Watson: O.K. - you come down to the Clerk's Office

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and get a warrant for him - we'll get the money for you all right.

Billy: I won't have to go to court, will I?

Wakelin: No, I don't think so - I think we can settle this without any trouble.

Billy: Will you meet me, and tell me where to go and what to do.

Wakelin: O.K. I'll see you in front of the City Hall

3:35 P.M. Outgoing on #246 J.L.D.

Wakelin: Is Stade Hall there?

Man: No, he isn't.

Wakelin: Is old man Vance there?

Man: Not here either.

Wakelin: When he comes in - have him call Wakelin at #123.

3:47 P.M. Outgoing on #123 J.L.D.

Abes called George Nichols at #2965 and talked about shipping some meat to St. Louis (name of receiver not mentioned).

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3:52 P.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.D.

Billy: Is Chief Wakelin there?

Wakelin: Hello -

Billy: I did that - the man said he'll send
it around to you.

Wakelin: We got Parker here now - come over by here

Billy: All right - watch for me.

4:12 P.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.D.

Woman called for Chief Wakelin - was advised
he was out just then.

4:14 P.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.D.

Martin Wright: Is Cecil Brook there?

Cecil Brook: Hello -

Martin Wright: Can you come to the "Chicago"
right away - I want to talk
to you.

Cecil Brook: About what?

Martin Wright: Police business.

Cecil Brook: I'll be right over.

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4:22 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.D.
W.S. Jacobs: Is Dutch there?
Sgt. Tucker: He's out just now.
W.S. Jacobs: Do you know whether Parker got
out of jail or not?
Sgt. Tucker: Yes, he's out.
W.S. Jacobs: All right - this is Jacobs talking.

4:26 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.D.
Girl called for Abner - not in.

4:32 P.M. Outgoing on #446 J.L.D.
Sgt. Tucker: Ordered 21 dinners at #3574.

4:48 P.M. Outgoing on #446 J.L.D.
Barnett Moore: 3337
Man: Hello.
Barnett Moore: Go next door and tell Edna to call
me at the police station.

4:49 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.D.
Edna: Is Barnett Moore there?
Moore: Hello -

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Edna: Where have you been?

Mrs. Moore: At the hospital -

Edna: I would like to use the car to take Uncle John back home after I get off at five -
Mrs. Moore: It's too late - I've got to get back to the hospital. Why don't you tell Uncle John to stay overnight; I'll take him home tomorrow morning.

Edna: How long are you going to be at the hospital?

Mrs. Moore: Till about nine or ten o'clock.

Edna: Well, I'll talk to him, and see what he says -

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George: Is Cecil there?

Brock: Hello -

George: This is George - I wonder if you can drop by the store in the next hour or so.

Brock: I think so -

George: Please do it now, because I want to talk to you.

Brock: O.K.

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4:58 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.D.

Davis: Is Cecil Brock there?

Brock: Hello -

Davis: This is Davis at the Citizens - there's a
guy standing outside here - he acts
like he's sick or something.

Brock: I'll drop by and look him over.

4:58 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.D.

Man: Have you a John Buddy in jail there?

Sgt: Yes, he's here.

5:08 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.D.

Brock Mortuary called and reported an emer-
gency call at Citizens Liqueur Store.

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5¹⁰ Incoming Glan
Akers - Hello -

Naseen (Phonetic) - Hello - Dutch?

Akers - Yes.

Naseen - This is Naseen. My delivery boy just got a ticket for double parking. I can't get away and I wish you would straighten it out for me.

Akers - Ok Naseen - I will.

Naseen - That's fine. Thanks.

5³⁰ Incoming # 446 Glan
Officer reporting - 503 Towestown.

5³⁵ Incoming # 446 Glan
Man called and asked Tucker if there had been a shooting scrape. Tucker said none had been reported.

5⁵⁰ Outgoing # 173 Glan
Cecil Brock called Louise Cooper # 87
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617 Incoming - #446 Glm
Oscar Cecil Brock - Not In.

640 Outgoing #183 Glm
Akers called Carroll Marsh, U.S.
Secret Service #7138 Memphis, Tenn.
Marsh - Hello.
Akers - This is Herbert Akers. I think
I can throw Jack Mountain Jack.
I've got him dead to right but
I've got to work fast. I've got
a man in jail and so far
nobody knows he's here. This
place is flooded with tens.

Marsh - That's great work.

Akers - This man knows where the
plates are and I've made a
deal with him and he's ready
to take us right to it. Can
you come over.

Marsh - Dutch - it's impossible for
me to leave tonight but I
will try to have somebody
there tomorrow.

Akers - Ok.

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6:52 Pm Incoming #173 John
Carroll Marsh - U.S. Secret Service,
called Akers - Long Distance from
Memphis.

Akers - Hello.

Marsh - I just talked with
Newton and he will be
there in the morning.

Akers - I'm going to get busy here
and I'll expect Newton in
the morning.

6:55 Pm Incoming #446 John

Tucker - City Jail

Mr. Davis - Is Akers there?

Akers - Hello

Davis - Dutch - this is Davis. Are
you busy?

Akers - Yes, for a few minutes.

Davis - Could you walk up to the
Church

Akers - Yes, in about 20 minutes

Davis - See you.

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7:00 PM Incoming #446 *Glen*
Call for Haskins - Not Inv.

7:45 PM Out going #113 *Glen*

Akers called Chief of Police Pitcock,
Little Rock, #8601.

Pitcock = Hello

Akers = Hello Chief, this is Herbert Akers.

I'm working on that touch
murder and I have information
that an Attorney by name of Rowland
can give me the lowdown on the
motive. He has an office in the
Recter Bldg. I'd appreciate it if
you'd have someone contact him
and you can assure him that
I won't bring him into the case in
any way. I got the tip from an
Attorney here.

Pitcock: Has Grover made any statement?

Akers: No but I've broken down
every one of his stories.

Pitcock = Well Dutch I'll get right on this and
I'll call you in the morning.

Akers = Thanks, Chief. 31

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7³⁰ Incoming #173 Gln
Call for Cecil Brock - No 1 In
Message left for Cecil to call
Mrs. McLeod at #86.

745 Incoming #173 Gln
Call for Akers - Not In.

757 Incoming #173 Gln
Long Distance reported collect call
for Curley Evans from Pauline Brown
at Tulsa, Okla. Evans was not in.

800 Incoming #173 Gln
Call for Buchanan - Not In.

812 Incoming #446 Gln
Call for Buchanan - Not In.

813 Incoming #446 Gln
Call for Stakelin - Not In.

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8:45 PM Out going #183 *Glen*

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8:30 P.M. - In #1.

Girl - Reported possession of a hot check from member of Saturday Evening Post
Sales crew -

Brock - advised her to come down in the morning and give details.

8:35 P.M. - Out #2.

Akers - Called 1408 and asked for Pate (or rate)

Pate - Hello -

Akers - Asked if he recalled a fellow named Jolly telling him about some counterfeit money yesterday. Advised Jolly was in jail now.

Pate - Stated Jolly talked to him but that he could not get enough information from Jolly to warrant calling Mr. Marsh.

8:50 P.M. - In #1.

Officer - Reported at 3337.

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8:55 P.M. - out #2.

Akers - called Western Union for a
boy to be sent to city jail.

8:56 P.M. - in #1.

Man - asked for Buchanan -
not in -

9:00 P.M. - in #2.

L. D. Opr. - call for Herbert Akers from
Little Rock.

Tucker - Yes out now.

Opr. - - left word for Akers to
call opr 7, at Little Rock.

9:15 P.M. - out #2.

Akers - called L. D. Opr #7, Little Rock,
& was connected with Officer Gray.

Gray - informed Akers of suspicious
actions of Dr. Grover at a rooming
house operated by Dr. Roland
at Little Rock, prior to Grover's
arrest by Akers for murder.

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9:17 P.M. - out #1.

man - called 1402
no answer.

9:20 P.M. - in #1.

Officer - reported at 3337.

9:22 P.M. - in #2.

Mrs. Brock - requested Brock to come
home.

9:35 P.M. - in #1.

George - asked Skers whether necessary
for him to appear as witness
next morning about his auto.

Aken - no. not necessary.

George - thanked Skers and requested
him to stop by the store
tomorrow for something.

9:40 P.M. - in #2.

Ed Apper - advised a prisoner's daughter
had left tobacco at jail for her
father, Mr. Dodd, & requested it
be given to him.

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9:45 P.M. - on # 2 - L. D. Call from
States attorney Tucker, at Perry-
ville, Ark., for Brock.

Moore - He is not in.

Tucker - informed Moore to tell Brock he
was necessary witness at Perryville
Ark., on following Tuesday in
a trial of negro for liquor
violation. Requested that Brock
bring photos of latent prints
and also fingerprints of negro.
Also informed that he had
received information that "Pug"
Piston, his wife, and mother
had left vicinity of Perryville
in a 1929 Model A Ford Coupe
with Red wheels supposed en-
route to vicinity of Longview, Tex

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9:48 P.M. - on # 2 -

Moore - called 1402 (Brooks res.) and
informed Brock of information
in the above call from Perryville

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10:00 P.M. - Dr #1.

Officer - Reported at 1246.

10:02 P.M. - Dr #1.

Mrs "Mac" - Requested to be called at 6:00 A.M.

10:15 P.M. - Dr #2.

Officer - advised Moore that the "old woman" said that a lot of people know that the fellow was there and might come get him.

Moore - Tell her to call Capt. Cooper if she wants to - If you're afraid - go on home.

Officer - No - I just wanted to let you know what she said.

10:20 P.M. - Dr #2.

Dep. Sheriff - Reported some suspicious men about 5 miles in country who had two autos, several guns, and were reported to change car licenses and clothes frequently.

Moore - Come in here and we'll go out and check them -

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10:22 Pm. - out #2.

Moore - (called 291 (H.S. Confectionary) asked
for Dutch Akers.

Akers - Hello.

Moore - Better come over here - just
got a call from Skarpe's office
and might be something to it.

10:30 Pm. - in #1.

Mrs Wakelin - looked for Wakelin and
left word for him to call her.

10:40 Pm. - out #1.

Man (reporter) - Called 3700 (Sentinel, New-Era)
and advised he was going
to stay there because something
appeared to be happening.

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10⁴⁵ Pm Incoming # 446 *Glen*
Cornington - City Jail
man - Is there a man in jail
by name of Fred Rose?
Cornington - No.

10⁵⁰ Incoming # 123 *Glen*
Cornington - Chief's Office
man - Is Bob there?
Cornington - No. He's out on a call.

10⁵⁵ Incoming # 123 *Glen*
Complaint about a drunk at
400 Thornton St.

10⁵⁶ Outgoing # 123 *Glen*
Bob Moore - 613 (Sheriff.)
Anderson - Hello -
Moore - Are you ready?
Anderson - Yes, I'll be right down.

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1105 Incoming #446 Ghan
Moore - Hello

Powell - Bob, this is Powell from
Philadelphia. Will you be
there for a while - I want
to see you.

Moore - Ok, come on down

1116 Incoming #446 Ghan
Bob Moore - Hello -

Girl - Bob did you want me?

Moore - Yes the big swell is back
in town and I'm sending
him up for a room. Give
him one up there by
Garnett (moore).

Girl - Ok Bob it will be ready
when he comes. It's #9.

Had a letter from Daisy Turner
and for and they're coming
back.

Moore - Hree, Ok. Will see you
later Honey -

Girl - All right.

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1129 Incoming #173 Phar
Complaint about a drunk
at the Dragon. Drunk was
thought to have a pistol.

1135 Incoming # 446 Phar
Officer reporting # 9337 Jonestown

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TAPOON TEL. PHONE #648.
LISTED TO MAYOR'S OFFICE,
LOCATED IN CITY HALL, HOTSPRINGS.
SURVEILLANCE AT 207 LAUREL AVE.,

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Incoming

Glow

Long Distance Operator at Little Rock
asked for Judge Legerwood. Miss
Marsh told operator that the Judge
had not come in but she would
have him call the moment he arrived.

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Miss Marsh called Operator #7 at
Little Rock and told her that
Judge Legerwood was out of town
for the day and that Mr. Ryan was
acting if the party wants to speak
to the Municipal Judge. Party asked
to speak to Ryan.

Ryan - Hello.

S.M. Ballard - This is S.M. Ballard at
Little Rock. Would like to
get the Velma Henderson case
passed due to sickness.

Ryan - All right - I'll pass it until

Dec. 28.

Ballard - Thanks.

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9⁰⁴ AM Outgoing *Glan*
Mayor - 600 - (Mayor is home)
Woman - Hello -
Mayor - Has Jack come out yet?
Woman - Yes -
Mayor - All right.

9⁰⁵ AM Outgoing *Glan*
Mayor - 1637
Ridgway - Hello -
Mayor - Can you come over?
Ridgway - Yes -
Mayor - all right.

9⁰⁶ AM Outgoing *Glan*
Mayor - 613 (Sheriff)
Man - Hello
Mayor - Is Marion (Anderson) there?
Marion - Hello
Mayor - Come over by here.
Marion - All right.

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9:26 A.M. Incoming

Allen Mathews: Say Leo, are you going to take any ^{J.L.M.}
depositions this morning?

Leo McLaughlin: No, I can't locate any of the witnesses.

Allen Mathews: you don't know when you're going
to take them - do you?

Leo McLaughlin: No, I don't - probably sometime at
the end of this week.

9:27 A.M. Outgoing

Miss Marsh: #1066

Woman: Hello

Miss Marsh: Is Joanie in?

Woman: No

9:30 A.M. Outgoing

Major called #600, his residence, and talked
with his sister about Christmas shopping -
nothing important.

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9:45 A.M. Outgoing

Miss Marsh called 707 (Clerk of Circuit Court) and asked if the Chancery Court was in session today - was advised it won't be in session anymore until January 6, 1937.

9:46 A.M. Incoming

Bob Moore: Say Leo, Arch Cooper got "Old man George" down there cussing + abusing him - he won't be good for a week. If you can stop him all right - I can't.

McLaughlin: Let me handle that -

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10⁴⁰ Incoming Glan
Woman called and complained
about boys shooting fireworks
in town. Miss Marsh said
she would report it to the
Mayor.

11²⁹ Incoming Glan
Woman called and talked with
Mayor about fireworks being
used in the City. The Mayor
said he would do everything
possible to stop it.

11³⁰ Outgoing Glan
Mayor called Arch #183
and told him to check up on
children shooting fireworks and
put a stop to it in the City.

11³⁸ Outgoing #183 Glan
Cooper = 1987
Man = Spencer's Cigar Store
Cooper = 6
Man = 5 + 10
Cooper = 0.10

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11⁴⁸ Outgoing G.L.C.
Miss Marsh called 11²⁴ and
asked man to send Elmer to
the Mayors Office.

17⁰² Incoming Glu
Man called and reported
a leaking water pipe near
end of Malvern St.

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12:00 P.M. Incoming
No answer.

J.L.D.

12:25 P.M. Incoming
No answer.

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1:43 P.M. Outgoing
Hazel Marsh called #184 (City Clerk's Office)
and talked with Violet about nothing important.

1:44 P.M. Outgoing
Hazel Marsh: 743 (Ledgewood + Davies)
No answer.

1:47 P.M. Outgoing
Hazel Marsh: 1024

Woman: Mr. Ryan's office

Hazel Marsh: Is he there?

Richard Ryan: Hello.

Hazel Marsh: Mr. Ryan, a gentleman left a telegram
here for you - are you going to be
in tomorrow morning?

Richard Ryan: I'll drop by and pick it up this afternoon.

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2:05 P.M. I'm coming J.L.M.

Woman: Is the Mayor in?

Miss Marsh: He won't be in this afternoon.

2:32 P.M. I'm coming J.L.M.

Mayor called in and asked if there were any messages for him - Miss Marsh stated that there was nothing.

2:33 P.M. I'm coming J.L.M.

Violet: Hazel, Bob Moore left a present for you in the office here.

Miss Marsh: I'll be right down & get it, Violet.

3:32 P.M. I'm coming J.L.M.

No answer.

Hot Springs, Arkansas.
December 29, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR INSPECTOR E. J. CONNELLEY:

Re: Brekid.

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There are attached hereto the logs for December 23, 1936 covering the taps on telephones listed to the Chief of Police, City Jailor, and Mayor's Office, all located in the City Hall at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

It should be noted that Mayor McLaughlin's bank account at the Arkansas National Bank is #736.44, as of December 22, 1936.

The place called the "Black Cat" mentioned in the conversation made at 11:30 A.M. over the Mayor's telephone is a beer parlor and liquor dispensing place on Springs and Central Avenue. This place recently re-opened after a complete remodeling.

The call made at 8:25 A.M. indicates the fixing of a parking ticket by Officer Joe Scott.

It appears that the Blue Ribbon Club, a book-making establishment, is playing Santa Claus to "Dutch" Akers to the extent of an overcoat and suit.

The taps were temporarily disconnected at 3:45 P.M. due to the activity of the Telephone Company on the pole from which the wires making up the tap run into the house at 207 Laurel Avenue, our point of surveillance. Apparently the wires in question were not discovered, as no activity in an attempt to trace the tap was subsequently observed.

Respectfully submitted,

John L. Nadala,
Special Agent.

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MEMORANDUM FOR INSPECTOR F. J. CONNALLY.

Little Rock, Arkansas.
December 31, 1936.

Re: Brakid.

Log for Dec. 23, 1936.

Police.

1:46 A.M. Sam Watt is part owner of the Belvedere, Southern Club and Millers. He is now working at the Belvedere on one of the gambling tables but will probably go to the Southern Grill when the season starts as he usually can be found at the Grill during the season.

8:15 A.M. See log for December 22, 1936. Stanley Parker is said to be an itinerant gambler who worked at Millers during the winter. He did live at the Marquette Hotel.

10:46 A.M. Refers to the body of a negro shipped from Washington, D.C. to Hot Springs and was a case of mistaken identity. Chief of Detectives Akers is of the opinion that it was an insurance fraud.

2:20 P.M. The Blue Ribbon Bar is a "bookie". The Christmas present may be a general one or because of the fact that Akers cleared the robbery of their safe.

Mayor.

11:30 A.M. Marion Anderson is the Sheriff-elect of Garland County. The Black Cat is a liquor store in Hot Springs. This appears to be a "freeze out" and is similar to the activities of the Mayor in trying to ruin a sign business in Hot Springs which is reported in the file of entitled "Leo P. McLaughlin, Anti Trust Matter, origin Little Rock.

Submitted by:

B. L. Damron
B. L. Damron,
Special Agent.

Tops on #446 (City Soil) and
#123 (Chief Police) Hot Springs, Ark.
Plant at 207 Laurel St.

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12:02 A.M. - in #1.

Officers - Reported at 116 (Miller)

1:10 A.M. - in #1.

Officers - (Murray + Kelly) Reported at 777.

1:15 A.M. - in #2.

woman - Reported trouble at the
Dragon Club.

1:35 A.M. - in #2.

woman - Advised Moore to send Officers
back to Dragon Club.

1:37 A.M. - out #2.

Moore - Called 116 (Miller)
No answer.

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1:38 A.M. - out #2

Moore - Called 545 (Mendota Lunch).
Left word for Officers to call
him.

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1:46 AM - out #2.

Moore - called 2484 (Belvedere Club) spoke to son Watt (or Wyatt) and inquired if he wished to purchase five birds -

Watt - informed that he would come by and get them.

2:00 AM - in #1.

H.A.

Officer (Murray) - Reported at 126.

Moore - advised Murray to arrest Buster Borden if he saw him.

2:01 AM - out #1.

Moore - called 481 (Dragon Barbecue).

Talked to Officer Griffin and informed him to stay there and arrest those boys if they came back.

2:15 AM - in #1.

H.A.

Officer - Reported at Baby Elephant Cafe.

3:00 Am. - in #1

Officers - Reported at 777

3:20 Am. - out #2

Moore - Called 3606 (Firestone Service Sta)
asked if officers were there.

Clerk - advised no.

3:22 Am - out #2

Moore - Called 291 (H. S. Confectionary)
asked if Bill Cartell was there
man - He's not here -

3:30 Am. - in #2.

man - called from the Dragon - requested
that an officer accompany the
waitress home, as she was afraid
of the two boys on a "rampage".
Also advised that the boys
lived at 116 1/2 Central Av. &
requested they be picked up.

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4:00 Am. - In #2.

girl - Advises she needed an officer to accompany her home. Gave her name as Savinia and stated that Betty told her to call.

griffin - ok.

4:10 Am. - In #1.

Officer - Reported at 126.

5:00 Am. - In #1.

officer - (murray + kelly) reported at 777.

6:05 Am. - In #1.

Woman - Inquired number of breakfasts.
Cornington - twelve.

6:06 Am. - out #1.

Cornington - Called 1038 - Woke up his "Mac"

#1 + #2
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7:55AM Incoming #173 Glen

Woman at Levi Hospital called and talked with Officer Griffin about some car backing into Hospital door early this morning. Griffin said he would come out and investigate.

7:48AM Incoming #173 Glen

Bob Moore - Chief's Office

Johnnie Tucker - Bob - did you ever hear anything from that Loan Shop.

Bob Moore - No. Why don't you drop by there sometime today.

Johnnie Tucker - All right. I will.

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8:15 P.M. Outgoing on #446

J.L.D.

Rogers: 316 (Milwaukee Cigar Store)

Denney: Hello -

Rogers: When does Parker come on?

Denney: About 11:30 -

Rogers: Do you know where he lives -

Henry: On Grand Ave - second house past the
City Furniture Co.

Rogers: What's his first name

Denney: Stanley Parker.

Rogers: O.K. Denney - thanks a lot.

8:25 P.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.D.

Mr. Lodge: Is Joe Scott there?

Joe Scott: Hello -

Mr. Lodge: Hello Joe - this is Lodge. You gave a
lady friend of mine a ticket for parking.
She is scared to death. I told her that
Mr. Scott would be the last fellow in
town to scare anyone. Can you do anything
about it?

Joe Scott: Have you got the ticket?

Mr. Lodge: Yes, she gave it to me.

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Joe Scott: Bring it over here, + I'll fix it up for
you.

Mo. Lodge: O.K. Joe - thanks a lot.

8:32 A.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.M.

Mo.: Is Bob there there?

Sgt.: No, he's at breakfast.

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8:35 Am Incoming #446 Glm
Cornington - City Jail
Man = Have you got Elmer Dodd
in jail?

Cornington - Yes, he's out on the gang.
Man - Thank you.

8:41 Am Outgoing #173 Glm

Cornington - 184

Jackson - City Clerk's Office

Cornington - M. Jackson add to the
docket - Stanley Parker,
Larceny, arrested by
Rogers and Griffin.

8:51 Am Outgoing #173 Glm

Joe Scott - 1443

Man = Hello

Joe Scott - Bill, this is Joe. Did you
call?

Man - Yes - are you coming out
this way?

Joe Scott - It will be about 9:30 or 10.

Man - All right.

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8⁵² AM Outgoing #173 Glen
Joe Scott - 3900
man - Hello

Scott - This is Joe Scott. Did you
get a car this morning with
a damaged right front fender
and light?

man - No we haven't.

Scott - If one comes in call me.

man - Ok.

8⁵⁸ AM Outgoing #173 Glen

Joe Scott - 100

man - Hello

Scott - Did you get a car this
morning with right front
fender and light smashed?

man - No.

Scott - If one comes in call me.

man - All right Joe.

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9⁰⁰ AM Outgoing #446 Glen

Griffin - 481

Woman - Hello

Griffin - Is Mrs Smith there?

Woman - She's asleep.

Griffin - Have her call me right away.

Woman - All right.

9⁰³ AM Incoming #173 Glen

Cannington - City Jail

Mrs Smith - Is Press Griffin there?

Griffin - Hello

Mrs Smith - This is Mrs Smith.

Griffin - I left word for you to be
in Court at 9⁰⁰ AM.

Mrs Smith - The girl woke me but I
went back to sleep.

Griffin - Well, it's too late now.

Court is already in session. I
guess we'll have to turn the
boys loose. If you want to you
might try to reach the Judge
at the Mayor's Office and ask
him to continue the case.

Mrs Smith - All right. 10

9¹⁷ Incoming #446 Glan

Tucker = City Jail

Dodd = Mr. Tucker this is Dodd. How much balance is there in my dad's fine.

Tucker = \$7⁰⁰

Dodd = I'll try to get him out today so he wouldn't have Christmas in there.

Tucker = All right.

9¹⁸ Incoming #183 Glan

Cornington = Chief's Office

Woman - Is Mr. Akers there?

Cornington = No, he is in court.

Woman - When he comes down tell him that Bertha Tincher at 124 Hill St. wants to see him on some important business

Cornington = All right, madam.

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9:34 A.M. - Outgoing on #123

J.L.D.

Arch Cooper: 2025

Woman: Hello.

Arch Cooper: Is Miss Knight there?

Woman: No, she's out just now.

Arch Cooper: Did she call me? This is Arch Cooper.

Woman: No, but she was expecting a call from you.

She's over at #2294.

9:35 A.M. - Outgoing on #123

J.L.D.

Arch Cooper: 2294

Is Miss Knight there?

Miss Knight: Hello.

Arch Cooper: This is Cooper -

Miss Knight: I want to see you about something

Arch Cooper: Well, what is it?

Miss Knight: It's too important to mention over

the phone. I would like to see you.

I think you ought to know about it.

It may mean something, and then

again it may not. You ought to know

about it though -

Arch Cooper: You stay there, + I'll pick you up.

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940 Incoming #446 Ghan
Call for Joe Scott - Not In.

941 Outgoing #446 Ghan

Man Believed to be Scudder - 3700

Woman - Hello -

man - Is Bob Bean there?

Bean - Hello -

man - Anything else over here?

Bean - No - what's the dope -

man - He's being held for the Grand
Jury without bond.

941 Outgoing #173 Ghan

Miss Griffin called Mrs Scott at
Levi Hospital and told her he
was turning over to Joe Scott the
investigation of the auto wreck
at the hospital last night.

952 Incoming #446 Ghan

Call for Cecil Brock.

Brock - Hello -

George - This is George, Cecil, did they

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mention that thing this morning?

Brock - Dutch couldn't do anything but was able to get the judge to put it off till in the morning. Be up here then.

George - OK.

959 Outgoing #173 *John*
 Cooper - 1987 (Spencer's Cigar Store)
 Man - Spencer.
 Cooper - 22
 Man - 379
 Cooper - OK.

10¹⁵ Incoming #446
 Call for Buchanan - Not in.

10²⁸ Incoming #173 *John*
 Chief of Police Pitcock at Little Rock called Akers.
 Akers - Hello -
 Pitcock - I talked to Rowland last night and he told me

that Mrs Grover rented a room at his house last summer for 1 week and gave the Name Lowery. He said that she left before she had been there a week and that she left with a man in a taxi. Grover came to the house about the 1st of October and inquired for her and when asked why the difference in names replied, 'That's our business.'

Akers- Well, ok Chief. Thanks.

10³⁵ AM Incoming #446 ~~John~~
Girl called for Garnett Moore.
She was told Garnett was not in.

10³⁹ AM Outgoing #173 ~~John~~
Buchanan - 420 - Busy.

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10⁴⁶ AM Outgoing #173 Glen
Akers - 743 (Judge Legerwood)
Legerwood - Judge - this is Akers.

That woman wants an
appointment with you
to see about that body
which was sent from
Washington.

Legerwood - Off - Let it go until
after Christmas.

Akers - All right.

11⁰⁴ AM Incoming #173 Glen

Tucker - City Jail

Mo Kaplan - Mr. Tucker, the car
which ran into the hospital
door was a Checker Cab
and their representatives
are here now to settle so
tell the men not to worry
about it any more.

Tucker - All right - file tell Akers.

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11²⁰ Am Incoming Ghr
Call for Nakelin - Not in.

11⁴² Am Incoming Ghr
Woman called Brock and
asked him to come over and
look at his wife's present - That
it had just arrived. Brock
said he would come right over.

11⁵⁵ Am Outgoing Ghr
Man = 3574 (Klein's Restaurant)
Woman = Hells
Man = Have the gang dinner's gone
out?
Woman = Jack's taking them out now.
Man = All right.

12¹⁸ Am Incoming Ghr
Alta Smith called and asked
for Joe Scott. She was told
that Scott was on the street
in the Safety Car.

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12²⁷ Incoming #183 Glue
Call for Akers - Not In.

12⁴⁴ Incoming #446 Glue
Call for Wakelin - Not In.

12⁵⁰ Incoming #183 Glue
Call for Akers - Not In.

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1:05 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.D.
Man called for Abner - out to dinner.

1:06 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.D.
Man: Is Dutch Abner there?
Sgt: No, he's gone to dinner.
Man: When he comes in - have him call #858.

1:13 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.D.
Man called and reported that L. D. Langton was drunk at 527 Elizabeth Street.

1:20 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.D.
Man complained of boys shooting fire-crackers in street.

1:33 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.D.
Man: Is Alexander Stevens still in jail?
Sgt: Yes, he is.
Man: What's he in for.
Sgt: Driving while drunk.
Man: Do you know how long he will be in jail?
Sgt: No, I don't.

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11:36 P.M. Outgoing on #123

J.L.D.

Cecil Brook called #666 for Abers - no answer

11:48 P.M. Outgoing on #123

J.L.D.

Cecil Brook: #1987 (Spermic Cigar Store)

Man: Hello

Cecil Brook: Is Herbert Abers around there?

Man: No, he isn't

150pm Outgoing #173 Glm
Man = 341- (Citizen's Cigar Store)
Man = Citizen's
Man = Is Akers there?
Man = No -
Man = Thanks.

151pm Outgoing #173 Glm
Man = 666- No answer

152pm Outgoing #173 Glm
Man = 3232 - W- No Answer

210pm Incoming #446 Glm
Officer reported = 503 Jonestown

220pm Outgoing #173 Glm
Akers = 858 (Blue Ribbon Club)
Man = Blue Ribbon
Akers = Someone call Herbert Akers?
Man = Yes - You were talking about
Santa Claus. Which would
you rather have - a suit
or an overcoat?

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Okers = Much Oblige
Man = Hell, arrangements are
already made at Welches.
Go by and pick out what
you want.

Okers! Much Oblige.

2²⁵ Outgoing #183 Glm

Akers = 3237-18 - No Answer

2³¹ Incoming #446 Glm
Call for Arch Cooper - Not In.

2⁴⁰ Incoming #183 Glm
Call for Arch Cooper - Not In.

2⁵⁸ Incoming #446 Glm
Girl called and talked with
Akers - Nothing of importance.

3⁰⁴ Incoming #183 Glm
Girl called for Brock - Not In

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305 Lincolnway #446 Ida

Evans - City Jail

Man - Curley. That fellow John
Leonard slipped away
from the gang.

Evans - Well, he's only in for being
drunk, isn't he?

Man - Yes -

Evans - Ok.

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3:15 Pm. - Dr #1.

girl - gave name as Mary - Asked
asker if he was busy - said
she had to see him.

Asker - I'm busy now but will
be over in an hour.

3:20 Pm. - Dr #2.

Sam Gibson - asked for Arch Cooper.
left word for Cooper to
call him at Belvedere
Dairy.

3:24 Pm. - Dr #2.

Hos.

Woman - Asked for Wakelin -

Wakelin - Hello -

Woman - I called you yesterday but
you were out. Will you
be out my way tonight?

Wakelin - I suppose so, Magie (or May)
I'll attend to it.

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3:30 P.M. in #2.

Bill Davice - inquired whether Tucker
had run across his
friend today -

Tucker - advised he had not but
if he did he would call
Davice -

3:35 P.M. - in #1.

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Officer - Reported at 503.

3:40 P.M. - in #2.

girl - asked for Brock. Not in.

Taps temporarily disconnected.

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TAP ON TELEPHONE #648,
LISTED IN MAYOR'S OFFICE,
CITY HALL - HOT SPRINGS.

SURVEILLANCE AT 207 LAUREL

8:45 A.M. Drawing

J.L.D.

Man: Is Judge Ledgerwood in?

Miss Mabel: No, he'll be down in a little while.

8:58 A.M. Drawing

J.L.D.

David Dodd: Is Judge Ledgerwood in?

Ledgerwood: Hello.

David Dodd: Hello Judge - this is Dave Dodd. You have Elmer Dodd in jail there - he's no relation of mine. His wife called me and said that he has \$5.00 or \$6.00 in his pockets. I wonder if you will let him out - he's got a job at the barbershop.

Ledgerwood: What's his fine?

David Dodd: \$10.00 -

Ledgerwood: All right, have him pay the \$5.00 he's got - & we'll let him go. How many days has he worked on the chain gang?

David Dodd: Two, I think -

Ledgerwood: O.K. I'll look into it.

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9:06 A.M. Incoming J.L. 2.
Joe Brooks: Can I see you for about three or four
minutes?

Mayor: Yes.

Joe Brooks: I'll be right over.

9:08 A.M. Outgoing J.L. 2.
Miss Marsh called #184 and talked with
Violet about Christmas shopping.

9:15 A.M. Outgoing J.L. 2.
Miss Marsh: #471, (City Health Dept.)
Janita: Hello.
Miss Marsh: Is Anna there?
Janita: No, she's not.

9:25 A.M. Outgoing J.L. 2.
Miss Marsh: #183
Woman: Hello.
Miss Marsh: Is Mr. Rushmore there?
Woman: No, he's out just now - who is calling?
Miss Marsh: This is the Mayor's Office -
Woman: I'll have him call right away.

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9⁵⁶ Incoming *Glm*
Miss Marsh: Mayo is offce
Man - This is Peter.
Miss Marsh - Yes, Is proof of publication
in that Nelson case ready?
Man - No, it's got another week.
Miss Marsh - All right.

9⁵⁸ Incoming *Glm*
Miss Marsh - Mayo is offce
Akers - I don't want to talk to him
but is the judge still up there?
Miss Marsh - Yes -
Akers - All right.

10⁰² Incoming *Glm*
Guinn Massey called and
talked to Mayo about law
suit. Nothing of importance and
conversation concerned legal
procedure.

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10³² Am Incoming Elmer
Miss Marsh: Mayor's office.
Allen (): Is the Mayor in?
Mayor - Hello.

Allen - Leo, this is Allen. Do you
want to those depositions
taken this morning?

Mayor: No. I can't get my witnesses
together.

Allen - Are you going to be in your
office for awhile?

Mayor - Yes.

Allen - All right. I'll try to see you
later.

10³⁴ Am Outgoing Elmer

Mayor = 1124 (Fire Dept.)

Man - Hello

Mayor - Call Elmer to the phone.

Elmer - Hello

Mayor - Elmer - go over to Spencer's
and tell them to send me
3 pints of their best red liquor.

Elmer - All right.

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10³⁵ Outgoing *Glm*
Mayor - 3800 (Ark. Nat'l Bank)
Man - Hello
Mayor - Bookkeeper, please
Bookkeeper - Hello
Mayor - This is Leo McLaughlin. What
is my balance?
Bookkeeper ~~736~~⁴⁴
Mayor - Thanks

10³⁶ Incoming *Glm*
Miss Marsh: Mayor's Office
Man : Is Judge Legerwood there?
Miss Marsh: No. Try #743. You might
find him there.

11⁰⁰ Outgoing *Glm*
Mayor - 783
Woman - Hello
Mayor - Is Judge there?
Woman - No.

1101 Outgoing *Glm*
Mayor - 640 No Answer.

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11²⁵ Incoming *Ghar*

Mrs. Simms talked to the Mayor and asked him to arrange for the police to direct the traffic away from the Christmas Carols on Christmas Eve. Mayor said he would do so.

11²⁶ Outgoing *Ghar*

Mayor - 613

Man - Sheriff's office

Mayor - Is Marion (Anderson) there?

man - No

Mayor - All right. Tell him to come by the Mayor's Office

11³⁰ Incoming *Ghar*

Mayor - Hello

Marion Anderson - This is Marion.

Mayor - Yes. Runyon is all

equipped at the Black Cat. I want you to go over there and tell him not to start and that if he does you'll have to burn his stuff.

If he does start - you're going
to have to do it, too.

Anderson: OK. I'll tell him.

11⁴⁰ Incoming Glen

Miss Marsh: Mayor's Office

Lewis Hinkle: Is the Mayor in?

Miss Marsh: Yes.

Hinkle: This is Lewis - I'll be
up in about 5 or 10 min.

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3:30 P.M. - on #3.

Hazel - Hello.

Man - This is the Sheriff's Office calling. It's important we get in touch with the mayor.

Hazel - He's not here and I don't know where you can reach him today.

3:32 P.M. - on #3.

Hazel - Called 600
no answer.

Tap temporarily disconnected

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
1448 Standard Building,
Cleveland, Ohio

January 20, 1937

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Confirming the long distance telephone conversations had by Special Agent E.J. Wynn of this division with Inspector E.J. Connelley at Tacoma, Washington, and Mr. Soucey of the Bureau on January 19, 1937, please be advised that there appeared in the ~~Cleveland Plain Dealer~~ on January 19, 1937, an article to the effect that John ~~Zetzer~~ had been arrested on the basis of a secret indictment charging him with participation in the ~~Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery~~, said article further stating that "a character in Toledo's underworld who was considered the city's Vice Overlord" was also being sought. It is believed that this, no doubt, referred to Joseph Roscoe, who Mr. E.B. Freed, United States Attorney, Cleveland, Ohio, has previously indicated, was indicted in the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery. However, he did not at any time officially indicate this.

The late afternoon editions of the newspapers at Toledo, Ohio, named Joseph Roscoe as being sought by the Federal authorities for his connection with the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery and stated that he had been named in the secret indictment.

The Cleveland Plain Dealer for January 20, 1937, also named Joseph Roscoe as being indicted in connection with the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery, as well as Benjamin Grayson, alias Groves, this article further stating that Joseph Roscoe was, according to Federal authorities, believed to be in Miami, Florida.

As Inspector E.J. Connelley and Mr. Soucey were advised, Agents A. Dickstein and H.B. Dill at Toledo, Ohio, through a confidential source, namely, Miss Frances Selander, former housemaid for Joe Roscoe, learned that Roscoe left Toledo, Ohio, between Christmas and New Year's Day last for Miami, Florida, or Miami Beach, Florida, in his 1935 Buick Coupe, bearing 1936 Ohio license plates #3537-F, and that it was her understanding that he resides on Pennsylvania Street or Avenue, the exact address unknown. However, according to her best recollections, the address bears four digits.

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In accordance with instructions received from Mr. Soucey of the Bureau, no further action has been taken by the Cleveland division with reference to the reported location of Joseph Roscoe in Miami, Florida, and no investigation will be undertaken at that place, either for the purpose of ascertaining definitely whether or not

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*Joshuaville
and Cleveland
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Joe Roscoe is there or whether Benjamin Grayson, alias Groves, is in contact with him, without specific Bureau authority.

The Cleveland division will advise the Bureau immediately in the event any request is received from the United States Attorney at Cleveland, Ohio, or from the Post Office Inspectors for the Bureau's assistance in locating Joseph Roscoe.

Clippings from the Cleveland Plain Dealer for January 19, and 20, 1937, mentioned herein, are enclosed for the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

J.P. MacFarland
J.P. MacFARLAND, RTR
Special Agent in Charge

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Enclosures (2)

cc - Inspector E.J. Connelley, Tacoma, Washington
Cincinnati

AIR MAIL, SPECIAL DELIVERY

CLEVELAND, OHIO
PLAIN DEALER
January 19, 1937

Held in Karpis Case



JOHN ZETZER.

U. S. NABS OHIOAN, FLYER FOR KARPIS

Holds Port Clinton Man Who
Identified 2 After \$46,-
000 Mail Robbery.

John Zetzer, 26, alleged to have taken Alvin Karpis and two of his pals in a plane to Hot Springs, Ark., a few weeks after the \$46,000 Garrettsville (O.) mail train robbery, Nov. 7, 1935, was arrested at Port Clinton, O., yesterday by United States Deputy Marshal Reuben Spies.

United States Attorney Emerich B. Freed said Zetzer was named in a secret indictment, recently returned by the federal grand jury here, dealing with the mail robbery. He would not comment further and would not say what the charge was against Zetzer.

Besides Zetzer, it is known that another named in the indictment is a character in Toledo's underworld who is considered the city's vice overlord. Freed refused to comment on this, but said that when Zetzer was arraigned the indictment would be opened and all named in it would be known.

At the time warrants were issued at the instance of Postal Inspector Sylvester J. Hetrick, Karpis, Harry Campbell, close henchman of Karpis, John Brock, Fred Hunter and John Doe were named.

Brock, who comes from Tulsa, Okla., has been held incommunicado in the Cuyahoga County Jail since April 30, 1936. Arrested at Youngstown, he has been unable to furnish the \$50,000 bail fixed by United States Commissioner John B. Morgan of that city.

Zetzer, operator of a marine garage at Port Clinton, said last May 3 that he was approached by a man some time in November, 1935, about a flight south. He said he did not pay much attention to the request until the man said he would give him \$500.

On the strength of this proposition, Zetzer said, he bought a second-hand plane in Toledo for \$1,700 and started on his southern flight with three men who had only two suitcases among them. Two of the men he left at Hot Springs and the third he took on to Tulsa, he said.

Karpis was one of those dropped

off in Hot Springs, Zetzer said he learned after seeing Karpis' picture, but the other man he did not know. Brock is the one who went to Tulsa and paid the \$500, he said.

On March 27 Zetzer disappeared from his home and was gone for a week. On his return he had little to say. He had been visited by federal agents, he said, and made up his mind to keep his mouth shut "like they told me to do."

Zetzer had been convicted as a liquor smuggler in the prohibition period. There was evidence that he used airplanes and speedboats in that illicit traffic. Captured after an airplane chase, he was given a two-year penitentiary sentence.

Karpis and Hunter were captured in New Orleans last May and whisked

away to St. Paul. Karpis, on July 7, pleaded guilty at St. Paul to conspiracy in the \$100,000 kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr., and was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Hunter is in the Atlanta Federal Penitentiary, where there is a stop order on him from Freed's office. Brock, Hunter and Zetzer now are in custody, while Karpis is serving a life sentence. At least two alleged participants in the Garrettsville robbery remain to be apprehended.

In the robbery four or five men lined up several persons on the platform and held them at bay with machine guns, while others were forced to place the mailbags containing the money into the gangsters' automobile.

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2 STILL HUNTED IN OHIO MAIL HOLDUP

Toledo Man and "Soup" Groves Are Indicted;
Zetzer Denies Guilt.

Two men, named in a federal indictment as connected with the \$45,000 mail robbery at Garrettsville, O., have not yet been arrested, Assistant United States District Attorney Frank Wiedemann said yesterday when the indictment was opened after the arraignment of John Zetzer.

Zetzer, 36, marine garage operator and aviator of Port Clinton, O., was named an accessory after the fact in the indictment. He pleaded not guilty before Federal Judge Paul Jones and was held in \$35,000 bond.

The robbery was perpetrated under direction of Alvin Karpis, one-time Public Enemy No. 1. He is now serving a life term for the kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr., of St. Paul. Also serving a life sentence is Harry Campbell, who is named in the indictment here.

Joe Roscoe of Toledo was named with Zetzer as an accessory after the fact. He has not been arrested. Federal authorities said he was believed to be in Miami.

Benjamin Greyson, 33, is the other man who has not been found. A reward of \$2,000 for information leading to his apprehension is offered by the government. Greyson, who has a string of aliases, is an "old-timer" with a prison record who got into the Garrettsville job under peculiar circumstances, government men said.

Five Men in Holdup.

In June, 1931, Greyson was sentenced to five years for each of two postoffice robberies, one at Steubenville, O., and the other at Asbury Park, N. J. The sentences ran concurrently, and Greyson was released on April 17, 1935. The Garrettsville robbery was committed Nov. 7, 1935.

Karpis said five men were needed to carry out the job successfully. The original fifth man was in a Toledo hospital, so it was necessary to get another to take his place, the government's investigation shows.

Someone told Karpis that Greyson, also known as "Soup" Groves and "Old Ben," was free and could be relied on. In this manner Greyson got in on the job and fired the only shot during the holdup, government men said.

Actual participants in the robbery were Karpis, Campbell, Greyson, Fred Hunter, who is now in the United States Hospital for Defective Delinquents at Springfield, Mo., and John Brock, who is in the Cuyahoga County Jail held in \$50,000 bond, the federal agents said.

They are charged in the indictment with robbing Orlin Workman, Paul E. Christy and Stephen Warren, who were in charge of mail matter, money and other property of the United States, and using machine guns, shotguns and pistols to accomplish their purpose.

Wanted in Robbery



BENJAMIN GREYSON

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Post Office Box 1469
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February 1, 1937

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RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are copies of the logs for January 24, 25 and 26, 1937, covering the telephone taps being maintained at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in this case together with copies of the attendant memoranda submitted by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan and copies of the following newspaper clippings: The New Era, Hot Springs, Arkansas, for January 20 (3), 21, 22, 25 (2), and 27, 1937. The Sentinel Record, Hot Springs, Arkansas, January 20, 21 (2), 23, 24 (2) and 26, 1937. Arkansas Gazette, Little Rock, Arkansas, January 30, 1937.

This last clipping is the first publicity in the Little Rock papers since the last clippings forwarded to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John B. Little
JOHN B. LITTLE
Special Agent in Charge

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Please refer to letter of October 30, 1936, of former Special Agent in Charge W. A. Smith, at Kansas City, which reflects conferences and inquiries by him in connection with the murder case pending at West Plains, Missouri, against Alvin Karpis.

On February 18, 1937, I had occasion to be in West Plains in connection with the case of Robert Kenyon, with alias, Dr. J.C.B. Davis (Murdered) - Victim; Kidnapping, at which time I discussed with Prosecuting Attorney William D. Roberts the case against Karpis. Mr. Roberts, as will be observed from Mr. Smith's letter, was not County Attorney at the time of Smith's conferences.

Roberts' ignorance of the facts in this case is abysmal. He told me that he recalled that Karpis had been charged with the murder of Sheriff Kelley in that county but that he did not know the name of but one witness - W. C. Davidson, West Plains. I asked Roberts whether it is his desire to prosecute Karpis and he informed me that it is, but that he did not wish to begin the prosecution until the disposition of the case against Robert Kenyon, which is supposed to come up for trial some time in June, 1937, unless a special term is called for the Kenyon case.

I inquired of Mr. Roberts whether, in his opinion, he felt a conviction of Karpis could be obtained in his county and he, while apparently possessed of none of the facts and evidence, expressed himself as believing Karpis would be convicted without any difficulty. I asked him, in his opinion, if Karpis were convicted the extreme penalty would be imposed and his answer thereto was "I don't know, there is some doubt in my mind as to this".

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I inquired of Mr. Roberts of the sentiment in that county in connection with the Karpis case, and he informed me Sheriff Kelley was a popular man; that the people recalled the murder, and he feels that every decent citizen in the community would like to see Karpis tried for Kelley's murder. I inquired of Roberts as to

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to what, in his opinion, would occur in the event there was a petition for a change in venue and the same were granted, and his reply was it would probably be removed in case of a change of venue to some nearby county, and the result would be the same as in Howell County, in which West Plains is located.

I inquired of Roberts as to facilities at West Plains for the safekeeping of Karpis in the event he should be brought to trial there. He informed me that there is under construction at the present time a new Court House in which is the new jail, and he believes that it will be adequately safe for a prisoner of any kind or character. I, of course, do not share the view of Roberts in respect to this for it is my opinion that should Karpis be returned to West Plains there should be at least two Agents of this Bureau guarding him at all times.

I am not at all impressed with Roberts as a Prosecuting Attorney, and I feel that before the Government agrees to return Karpis to West Plains for trial that we await the outcome of the Kenyon case, for in this, should it come to trial, there will be some representatives of the Bureau who will be able to obtain more definite ideas concerning Roberts as a prosecuting officer.

It is my understanding that Alvin Karpis is at present time serving a life term at the Federal Penitentiary at Alcatraz. I am wondering whether there is any legal question to be raised in connection with whether should he be tried and convicted at West Plains, Missouri, for the murder of Sheriff Kelley, and the death penalty imposed, it would be necessary that the President of the United States pardon him for the crime he now stands convicted in order that the judgment of the Court, in the event the extreme penalty were inflicted, could be imposed.

Very truly yours,

Dwight Brantley

DWIGHT BRANTLEY
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

November 29, 1937

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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I desire to inform you, in order that your records may properly reflect the attitude of Mr. Edward Bremer of St. Paul, that he is rather unfriendly to the Bureau. During a conversation with him while in St. Paul he stated that he still was very much upset because the Bureau had made an announcement during the early days of the kidnaping investigation to the effect that he was not cooperating with this Bureau, which he stated was not in fact the case.

I never heard of this & received no such request.

He also stated that at the time the Director was in St. Paul with Karpis he had requested United States Attorney George Sullivan to call and make an appointment in order that he and Mr. Sullivan might pay their respects to the Director and that he and Mr. Sullivan waited all day for a call from you which they did not receive. He stated that both he and Mr. Sullivan were very much put out because they had not been permitted to meet you and pay their respects to you.

It might be noted that the writer informed Mr. Bremer that you had been up several days prior to your arrival in St. Paul without any sleep and that you were only in St. Paul a very short time when you found it necessary to leave in connection with further work in connection with the Bremer case and his attention was called to the fact that you did, a few days thereafter, apprehend Campbell in Toledo.

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Mr. Bremer then stated that he had been in Glacier Park at the same time you were there, during the past summer; that he was in the company of one Mike Malone, an Agent of the Internal Revenue Bureau, and that they both saw you on several occasions and that

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you walked by without any word of greeting; that in view of this fact he did not endeavor to look you up, feeling that you would have spoken had you cared to. He was advised, of course, that if such was the case that you certainly did not recognize him and that you undoubtedly were occupied with your own party to the extent that you were not noticing other visitors to the Park, but that you most certainly would not have failed to speak or acknowledge a greeting had same been given.

It is felt that while Bremer in a half-hearted way is friendly to the Bureau, yet by reason of the statements which he made, as indicated above, he is not as friendly to the Bureau as he should be. The writer endeavored to convince him that he was taking the wrong attitude, but with what degree of success I am not able to state. I did, however, want you to know of the statements made by Bremer to me.

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Very truly yours


D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. D. M. Ladd,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Ladd:

I received your communication of November 29, 1957, in which you advise me of a conversation which you had with Mr. Edward Bremer, of St. Paul, and that from certain statements made it would appear that he has a rather unfriendly attitude toward the Bureau.

I was indeed surprised at his statements because, so far as I am aware, they are without any foundation in fact.

First, in regard to his statement that he was very much upset because the Bureau had made an announcement during the early days of the kidnaping investigation to the effect that he was not cooperating with this Bureau, no such statement was ever made publicly. My recollection is that the officials of the Bureau who were at St. Paul at the time did feel that Mr. Edward Bremer was not giving the fullest cooperation but I do know that no such statement was ever made to any newspaper or ever publicly made by any responsible official of this Bureau.

In regard to his second statement to the effect that while I was in St. Paul in connection with the Karpis arrest he had requested United States Attorney Sullivan to call and make an appointment in order that he and Mr. Sullivan might pay their respects to me, you are advised that I received no such call from any one. Certainly, Mr. Sullivan did not get in touch with me and I do not believe he could have called the St. Paul Office while I was there without the office having advised me of his call. As you pointed out to Mr. Bremer, I had been up for several days and nights without any sleep, and I had pressing and urgent business which demanded that I leave as soon as possible for the East, but nevertheless, had I received any such message from United States Attorney Sullivan or from Mr. Bremer I would have made it a point to meet them.

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In regard to his third statement, that he, Mr. Bremer, was in the Glacier National Park during the past summer at the same time I was there, I was informed at the Many Glaciers Hotel in the Park that Mr. Bremer and a party of friends had been spending some weeks at that hotel. I, personally, did not see Mr. Bremer, though he states he saw me. This, however, would have been entirely possible because I do not know Mr. Bremer by sight, and consequently, would not have recognised him. If I passed him in the lobby of the hotel at any time, certainly I did not know who he was, and he recognized me I think that the least he could have done was to have indicated his identity and I certainly would have been pleased to have shaken hands with him.

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I would suggest that you possibly drop him a note and tell him that you checked up with me several of the matters about which he spoke to you, and that you wanted to give him the facts concerning them in order that if he is possibly laboring under a real misapprehension of what the facts are he can be corrected.

Very truly yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
JUNE 8, 1940

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Director CONFIDENTIAL
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent A. T. DEERE, Kansas City, Missouri, dated June 6, 1940, in the case entitled, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] confidential informant mentioned
therein. [REDACTED]

It is noted that Special Agent A. T. DEERE was instructed to proceed from Kansas City to Chicago for the purpose of interviewing [REDACTED] on May 28, 1940.

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The Bureau is advised that while [REDACTED] was recently in Kansas City, Missouri, [REDACTED] cooperated to the fullest extent with the Kansas City Office in an effort to apprehend CLYDE HAMILTON HINICK. Presently while Special Agent DEERE was in Chicago, [REDACTED] stated that she had received a letter from [REDACTED] advising her to not [REDACTED] in touch with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that she does not know what it is expected she will learn from [REDACTED] but she stated that if the Bureau is interested she will advise the Kansas City Office.

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... was still in the penitentiary. [REDACTED] asked Special Agent BURNS for information as to the present whereabouts of GASSIUS McDONALD and stated that it is possible [REDACTED] that she contact BURNS for information of value to the Bureau.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] advised the Kansas City office if she learned anything of value.

It is noted that on June 6, 1960, GASSIUS McDONALD was granted a release on a writ of habeas corpus at Topeka, Kansas. He indicated he was going to Minnesota.

Very truly yours,

WRIGHT BRANTLEY
Special Agent in Charge

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cc: [REDACTED]